

MISSION NUMBER 181DATE 28-5-44MISSION FOLDER CHECK LIST

1. Warning order, field order, annexes;

Target maps and illustrations:

Briefing Information: a) main & gunners' briefing,
 b) camera installations
 c) duty officer check list,
 d) lists of admission
 e) crew lists.

2. Formation chart;

Interrogation forms;

Combat forms and a) letter of transmittal

b) letters re evaluated encounters, S-2 & 3 B.D.

3. A/C returning early;

Hot news

Operational statistics (Telephone report);

Operational narrative;

Intelligence narrative;

A/C landing away;

PRO reports;

Miscellaneous reports: a) equipment malfunctions,
 b) crew comments,
 c) battle damage,
 d) sortie information
 e) statistical flak forms,
 f) flak reports;

Missing a/c and missing crew reports.

4. 3rd B.D. flash report, and narrative teletypes;
 Strike photos, raid assessments, BCNO, etc;
 Statistical work sheet;
 Mission folder check list.

Material is placed in the folder in this order; material mentioned last
 is on top.

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Date SEP 19 1945 JPS

OPERATIONAL STATISTICS.....PT Magdeburg ST Dessau LR Hannau OP DATE

100 A GROUP 1448 HRS. 19,000 ALT. GORA 100 B GROUP 1408 HRS. 25,200 ALT.

100 "A" PILOT	SQDN	A/C NO.	LOADING	TARGET			CASUALTIES			BATTLE DAMAGE		JETTY-SONED	BRT BACK	REMARKS
				PT	OTHER	OTHER	K	W	H	R	SERIOUS	SLIGHT		
LT. G. S. ALLEN	349	393	38x100 GP	38x100										
LT. W. E. Greiner	351	066	38x100 GP	38x100										
LT. F. J. HERRER	349	986	38x100 GP	38x100										
LT. E. P. McKEAGUE	349	347	38x100 GP	38x100										
LT. C. W. MYLIUS	351	018	38x100 GP	38x100										
LT. G. W. RAKE	351	256	38x100 GP	38x100										
SPARE														
LT. J. P. KEYS	349	211	38x100 GP										38x100	52,370,300 SPARE
100TH "B"														
LT. R. T. CHADWICK	350	695		10x100										
LT. J. F. GIBBONS	350	621												
LT. C. E. HARRIS	418	986												
LT. I. G. LACR	351	389												
LT. R. E. LISCHER	418	087												
LT. S. T. MAJOR	418	673												
LT. R. V. E. MONROE	418	708												
LT. E. P. NOORDYK	350	009												
LT. D. C. RICE	418	154												
LT. H. ROSINE	350	611												
LT. G. ROTH	418	175												
LT. M. C. RUMLEY	418	404												
LT. J. E. SCHWANK	418	895												
LT. E. J. SIMONS	351	936												
LT. C. W. WOLFE	351	007												
LT. H. WILHEIT	350	903												
LT. W. WOLF	351	047												
LT. ZAPF	351	800												
SPARES														
LT. E. BETHA	418	7090												
LT. J. SCHOMP	351	598												
LT. B. WILLIAMS	418	011												

MISSING BEFORE TARGET (See claim of Ak #011 at 1403 hrs.)

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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE
A/F STATION 101
APO 634

INTOPS SUMMARY NO. 28

PERIOD: 0001 hours 28 May 1944 to 2400 hours 28 May 1944.

A. STATISTICS

	Missions	Disp.	Sorties	Atkg.	Tonnage	Claims	E/A	LOSSES A/F	OT	TOTAL
Bomber Attacks	8	1027	930	863	1864	437-29-24	18 8	0 6	32	
						G 0- 0- 0				
Fighter Escort	17	748	669	669	0	119- 2- 2	9 0	3 0	12	
						G 0- 0- 0				
Fighter Sweeps	0	0	0	0	0	0- 0- 0	0 0	0 0	0	
Fighter Bombing	0	0	0	0	0	0- 0- 0	0 0	0 0	0	
Photo Recon.	35	35	35	0	0	0- 0- 0	0 0	0 0	0	
Weather Recon.	2	2	2	0	0	0- 0- 0	0 0	0 0	0	
Special Operations	3	4	3	0	0	0- 0- 0	0 0	0 0	0	
	65	1816	1639	1532	1864	456-31-26	27 8	3 6	44	
IX Fighter Command										
Escort 11	527	458	458		0	433- 0-10	5 0	0 0	5	
						G 5- 0- 7				

B. OPERATIONAL SUMMARY1. Bomber Attacks

Three forces totalling nine combat wings of B-17s (551 a/c) and six wings of B-24s (417 a/c) were dispatched against oil refineries and a/c works and a military depot in central Germany. In addition one B-17 combat wing (59 a/c) carried out an attack on Cologne using a special bombing technique for the first time. Escort for these operations was provided by 28 groups of USAAF fighters. The 1st Bomber Force was hindered by poor visibility and other difficulties at targets and many groups attacked secondary and opportunity targets. Other forces were generally able to make successful visual attacks on their primaries. Heaviest air opposition was met by the lead combat wing of the force attacking Dessau, which was attacked by about 200 a/a before the target. Fighters escorting this force likewise reported heavy opposition with over 300 a/a sighted. Bomber claims for this operation are 37-29-24 and fighters claim 52-2-12 for air combats and 5-0-7 for a/a on the ground. 26 B-17s and 6 B-24s are missing and fighter losses were four P-47s and ten P-51s. In addition, two P-47s and one P-51 crash landed in England.

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Five combat wings (296 B-17s) escorted by nine fighter groups were dispatched against the oil plant at Ruhland and a/c works at Dessau. In general, haze and smoke hindered bombing and in addition there was one instance of premature bomb release. As a result, only two wings attacked assigned primary targets. 38 a/c dropped 69.5 tons G.P. on Ruhland at 1424 to 1508 hours from 22,000 - 23,500 feet with good to very good results. 12 B-17s dropped 30 tons G.P. on the works at Dessau with results mostly unobserved due to smoke screens. Secondary targets were attacked by fifteen a/c dropping 25 tons G.P. on Zwickau with poor results, and 28 a/c dropping 69.5 tons on Leipzig also with fair results. Opportunity targets were attacked as follows:

<u>Target</u>	<u>Attacking (B-17s)</u>	<u>Tons G.P.</u>	<u>Results</u>
Bohlen	14	35	Unobserved
Meissen	16	32.4	Poor
Brandis/Polens A/F	19	47.5	Fair
A/F near Mustensachen	17	42.5	Poor
Frankfurt H/Y	12	30	Poor
Vicinity of Ubigau	32	53.3	Poor
City of Dessau	20	43.5	Good
City of Frankfurt	4	8.3	Fair
Camburg	5	9	Unobserved
T/Os	22	57.2	Unobserved
	<u>161</u>	<u>358.7</u>	

The combat wing leading the force against Dessau met the only e/a attack on this force. Approximately 200 e/a were met in the Magdeburg area and made concentrated attacks for approximately 40 minutes. 12 B-17s were lost to these attacks. Flak was moderate and accurate at Dessau, but only two ground rockets were reported over Ruhland. 17 B-17s were lost, one to AA, 12 to e/a, two to e/a and AA, and two to unknown causes. In addition, 93 suffered minor battle damage and 25 major damage. Bomber claims are 20-21-18.

178 P-47s, 144 P-51s, and 37 P-38s escorting this force reported over 300 e/a encountered mostly in the Magdeburg area. Other enemy formations were reported near Oschersleben and Wittenburg. Fighter claims are 33-2-7 for air combats and 5-0-7 for strafing attacks. Three P-47s and 8 P-51s are missing and one P-47 crash landed in England.

2nd Force - Konigsborn, Magdeburg and Lutzkendorf.

Four combat wings of B-17s (255 a/c) were dispatched against the oil plant at Magdeburg and a military depot at Konigsborn, and two wings of B-24s (106 a/c) against the Lutzkendorf oil plant. Escort was provided by 10 groups of USAAF fighters and one group of RAF Mustangs. There was some ground haze but all targets were attacked visually. 105 B-17s dropped 156 tons G.P. on Konigsborn at 1415 hours from 22,700 to 25,300 feet with good to very good results. 55 B-17s dropped 114.3 tons G.P. on Magdeburg at 1408 to 1448 hours from 19,000 to 25,000 feet with fair results. 66 B-24s dropped 155.4 tons G.P. on Lutzkendorf at 1500 to 1600 hours from 19,400 to 22,500 feet with fair to good results. The following opportunity targets were attacked with unobserved results: 17 B-17s dropped 31.8 tons G.P. on Dessau; 6 B-17s dropped 11.4 tons G.P. on Gera; 10 B-24s dropped 21.9 tons

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G.P. on Wetzlar; and 6 B-24s dropped 13.2 tons G.P. on opportunity targets.

This force sighted about 100 e/a in the Magdeburg area. About 30 of these made attacks immediately before targets were reached, accounting for 6 B-17s. Flak was meager to moderate at Lutzendorf and moderate at Konigsborn and Magdeburg. 9 B-17s and 3 B-24s were lost from this force - one B-17 and two B-24s to flak, 6 B-17s to e/a and two B-17s and one B-24 to unknown causes. 97 bombers suffered minor battle damage and 10 major damage. Bombers claim 16-8-6.

107 P-47s, 164 P-51s, 113 P-38s, and 48 R1F Mustangs escorting this force reported encountering 120 to 150 e/a north of Magdeburg, and make claims of 13-0-5 for air combats for the loss of two P-51s. In addition, one P-47 crash landed in England.

3rd Force - Merseburg and Zeitz

Four combat wings (311 B-24s) were dispatched against oil plants at Merseburg and Zeitz with escort of five groups of USAAF fighters. Weather was clear and both primaries were attacked by the main force. 63 B-24s dropped 14.5 tons G.P. on Merseburg with fair results at 1453 to 1507 from 20,200 to 22,700 feet. 137 B-24s dropped 44.3 tons G.P. on Zeitz at 1457 to 1502 hours from 20,000 to 23,000 feet with very good results. In addition, 10 B-24s dropped 25 tons G.P. on Limburg; 8 B-24s dropped 21.3 tons G.P. on Meiningen; 8 B-24s dropped 24 tons G.P. on Saalfeld; and 10 B-24s dropped 24.6 tons G.P. on T/Os. Results on these targets were unobserved. Only about ten scattered e/a were sighted and there was only one combat with one e/a which was claimed destroyed. AA fire was moderate to intense at Merseburg and meager at Zeitz. 3 B-24s were lost - 2 to AA and one to unknown causes. 55 B-24s suffered minor battle damage. Bomber claims are 1-0-0. 91 P-47s, 38 P-51s and 83 P-38s escorting this force reported only one e/a encountered and this was destroyed. One P-47 was lost to unknown causes.

4th Force - Cologne

One combat wing of B-17s escorted by two fighter groups was dispatched to attack Cologne using 2000 lb. glide bombs for the first time. Weather was CAVU and there was no opposition. 58 B-17s dropped 109 tons G.P. on Cologne at 1306 to 1308 hours from 17,000 to 19,000 feet and results were good. Neither bombers nor the 39 P-47s and 44 P-38s providing escort reported any encounters and there were no losses or claims.

In addition to fighter escort for the first three forces mentioned above, two groups totalling 16 P-47s and 23 P-38s provided uneventful general withdrawal support for bombers. There were no claims or losses.

2. Fighter Escort

Seventeen groups of the VIII Fighter Command (131 P-47s, 302 P-51s and 186 P-38s), eleven groups of the IX Fighter Command (250 P-47s, 94 P-51s and 114 P-38s) and 48 R1F Mustangs escorted bombers on this operation. Groups escorting the 1st and 2nd Forces met considerable opposition in the Magdeburg area, where as many as 300 e/a were encountered. Groups escorting other forces reported no opposition. VIII Fighter Command losses were 4 P-47s and 5 P-51s, plus 2 P-47s and 1 P-51 crash landed in England. IX Fighter Command lost 5 P-51s for total claims of 33-0-10 in the air and 5-0-7 on

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the ground. VIII Fighter Command claims are 19-2-2 for air combats.

3. Fighter Sweeps

Nil

4. Fighter Bomber Attacks

Nil

5. Photo Reconnaissance

Thirty-Five F-5s and Spitfires were dispatched on photo reconnaissance missions. 4 a/c returned early due to mechanical failure, 1 due to weather and 1 due to interception. Photographs were obtained of St. Dizier, Osnabruck, Hülhouse, Fricberg, Le Grouset, Rouch, Hagenau, Bremen, Greningen, Meppel, Loowarden, Ruhr Area, Strassbourg, Brest, Brussels. All a/c returned safely.

6. Weather Reconnaissance

Two B-17s carried out routine weather reconnaissance.

7. Special Operations

Four B-17s dispatched on leaflet missions. 1 a/c returned early due to radio failure. Three B-17s dropped 280,000 XB 12 FR, F-55 and "T" type leaflets over France. All a/c returned safely.

C. INTELLIGENCE1. Enemy Air Opposition

In opposing this operation, the enemy apparently tried to throw a strong concentration of s/e fighters against what he believed to be the weakest link in the chain of bombers at the time when fighter escort was most spread out. In this case the first Division combat wing leading the attack on Dessau, was attacked by approximately 200 e/a in the Magdeburg area. The attacks lasted for about 40 minutes and occurred at the time when bomber formations had separated and turned SE from their common penetration route to reach their assigned targets. The enemy evidently believed that fighter escort would be thinnest at this point. The 3rd Division B-17s which followed to attack Magdeburg also met some opposition in this area with attacks by approximately 80 e/a which accounted for six bombers. These attacks were made in three mass waves with a diminishing number of e/a reported in each wave. At about this time, escorting fighters were evidently able to break the attacks.

B-24s attacking Lutzendorf and those attacking Weitz and Mersburg flew last in the penetration column and reported only a very few scattered e/a sighted.

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Fighter groups escorting the 1st Force report total sightings of over 300 e/a in the Magdeburg area. These were engaged, but the bomber formations being separated for bomb runs on various targets at this time made it impossible for fighters to cover all forces. 33 e/a were destroyed by the escort to the 1st Force. Escort to the 2nd Force also encountered over 100 e/a in this area and claim 18 destroyed.

2. Flak

The 1st Force, dispatched against Ruhland and Dessau, encountered moderate and accurate flak at Dessau, Leipzig and Böhlen.

The 2nd Force reported meager to moderate and fairly accurate flak at Lutzkendorf, a moderate fairly accurate barrage of tracking fire at Königsborn, ^{and} a moderate, fairly accurate barrage at Magdeburg. Intense barrages were observed in the distance over Leipzig and Brunswick.

The 3rd Force, attacking Zeitz and Merseburg, reported moderate and generally accurate AA fire along the route to targets and back, and at Merseburg, moderate to intense and fairly accurate both predicted and barrage AA fire, ^{and} at Zeitz, meager and inaccurate predicted and barrage type AA fire. Rocket fire was observed in the Merseburg area and near Frankfurt.

The 4th Force, attacking Cologne, encountered some meager and ineffective flak on the bombing run. An intense barrage was laid in the path of the formation approaching Cologne, but the turn avoided it.

3. Observations

Smoke screen noted at 5020N-1025E. Balloon over dam at 5032N-1143E Frankfurt observed in flames. Tower 400 ft. high at 5128N-1353E. Industrial plant noted at 5205N-1225E. Barracks area and many buildings dispersed in woods west of Nienberg. A/F at 5200N-1120E observed with approximately 60 A/C parked on it. A/F east of Leipzig with approximately 20 t/e e/a. Effective smoke screen and 25 barrage balloons at Wittenburg. Army camp noted in wooded area 10 miles NE of Ypres.

A large dam on river Hesse at 5032N-0504E protected by 20 barrage balloons. Smoke screens at Magdeburg, Dresden, Jena, Schweinfurt and Boppard. Fulda M/Y packed with traffic. Military installations (possible factory) near 2 dams and several lakes at 5022N-0606E.

Large number of e/c on A/F at 5142N-1243E; on A/F at 5131N-1240E; and on A/F at 5058N-1230E. Army camp site at 5025N-0612E. Camouflaged A/F observed at 5030N-1040E. Dam being constructed at 5040N-1122E. Activity noted on A/F at 5237N-0437E. 20-25 buildings and barracks in woods near Eupen. A large factory in operation seen at Moschitz.

At 5242N-0438E zig zag military emplacement observed extending along coast for approximately 3 miles, trenches about 100 feet in width were filled with water. A/F observed at 5247N-0615E. Runways repaired on Soxyde A/F.

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A/F observed between Leipzig and Dessau. Scattered around edge of field were 30 silver objects with one end streamlined and the other pointed. They were slimmer than a plane fuselage, but larger than the 210 fuselages which were parked in dispersal areas.

15 unidentified a/c on A/F at 5021N-0846E.
 35-40 unidentified a/c on A/F.
 8 very large hangars on A/F at 5043N-1110E.
 A/F under construction 4 miles E of Meppel.
 20 s/e, 2 t/e, 4 HB, on A/F at 5125N-1110E.
 New concrete runways on A/F at 5026N-0450E.
 6 a/c thought to be 4 engine on field at Oschersleben.
 4 a/c on new A/F at 5246N-0613E.
 8 s/e a/c on A/F at 5058N-1134E.
 10 unidentified a/c on A/F five miles south of Koblenz.
 Apparently 20 unidentified small a/c on gliders in clearing in woods at Suchel.
 8 large a/c on A/F north of Helmstedt.
 24 unidentified a/c on A/F near Dietersdorf (5133N-1104E).
 6 t/e a/c at Isserstedt (5059N-1137E).
 30-40 s/c a/c at Launcha (5113N-1142E).
 New A/F NW of Soignos.
 New A/F under construction at Hoogenveen (5246N-0822E).
 New locomotives in large M/Y at St. Vith.
 Considerable activity at Leige M/Y.
 Considerable activity in M/Y at Saalfeld.
 Unusual wood, symmetrical pattern, construction on hill at 5021N-0818E.
 Large semi-circle encampment at 5027N-0950E.
 Large factory one mile East of Saalfeld.
 Military installation covering approximately 50-60 square miles at 5250N-1005E.
 Large army camp (200-250 buildings) at 5242N-0950E.
 Large encampment in woods south of Ghent.
 Military camp near Friedburg; pictures taken.
 750-1000 huts or storage sheds SE of Brussels at 5045N-0427E; photos by a/c 370.
 Large military camp at 5241N-0940E. Large military camp at 5035N-1005E.
 Group of buildings in woods at 5025N-0932E with long railway spur leading to it.
 Ammunition dump in middle of woods at (5102N-0300E).
 Military encampment, buildings in semi-circle at 5031N-0936E.
 Large building in woods near Celle.
 Possible military barracks at 5024N-0952E.
 Large catapult like construction resembling rocket installation with number of buildings seen in woods at 5034N-1030E.
 Smoke screens observed at Brunswick: Sonneburg: Coburg: Jena: Plauen: Frankfurt: Magdeburg: Herschburg: Leipzig: Wittungen and Hainningen: 5035N-1155E; 5203N-1046E; 5035N-1105E; 10 miles NW of Herschburg, and North side of Weser-Elbe Canal at 5220N-1052E.

Barracks buildings at 5042N-0953E.

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Barrage balloons observed; Saalburg; around wooded area at 5038-1145 Koblenz; around dam on Saale River at approximately 5037-1127 (photos 46 a/c 157); around dam at 5031-1144.

Possible dam under construction at 5026-0612, 13,000
Many fires observed at Coburg - 1518.
Fires observed in NE edge of Frankfurt - 1540.
Fires observed at Charleroi. Well spread out over East portion of city-1630.

Heavy barge traffic on Rhine near Koblenz, 1556.
24 t/c on Brandis A/F. 9 t/c a/c on a/d at 5233N 1030 E (Wesendorf)
16 a/c on field near Luckenwalde. 15 to 20 a/c on Oschatz A/F
22 silver a/c with large wing span at Riesa. 3 a/c taking off from Vechtz. 10 a/c 3/a on Altenburg.
10 s/c a/c on Altenburg
10 s/c a/c on a/d at 5112N 1248 E.
14 s/c a/c on Altenburg.

New A/F reported at 5053N 0310 E and at 5247 N 0617 E with dispersal areas and buildings completed.

The following M/Ys reported very active: Meningen, Saalfeld, Frankfurt, Brussels/Midi, M/Y at 5227-0931 E, Koblenz, Zeitz (300 cars) and Liege which had a number of flat cars which appeared to have tanks and trucks on them. Smoke screens were reported at Leipzig, Magdeburg, Schweinfurt, Frankfurt, Brunswick and Lutzendorf.

A large installation observed in woods at 5220-1140 E with barrage balloons flying over it and smoke screen in operation.

4. Damage to Enemy Installations

Zeitz - Very Good

After the first two out of a total nine groups attacked, the target area was completely obscured by large fires and explosions. The entire northern three-quarters of the plant appeared to be well hit and destruction should be extensive.

Merseberg - Fair

Several small explosions in the southern two-thirds of the plant can be seen in strike photos. The MPIs were not hit.

Ruhland - Good/Very Good

Bombs fell across the center of the plant. Direct hits fell on installations, but main weight of the attack on two gas water plant areas, the MPI.

Lutzkendorf - Fair to Good

Concentration fell on western end of plant. There was an explosion in the injector house and possible direct hits on installations near the MPI. Smoke and haze over target prevents detailed assessment.

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Bombs from three groups covered about two-thirds of the target area including what appears to be the most important part. Later photographs show about two-thirds of the small buildings destroyed and substantial damage to the six large buildings in this area. At least three or four fires burning in the area at the end of the attack.

Magdeburg, Braunkohle/Benzin A/F - Fair Results.

The group pattern in the target area covered the western half of the plant. One or two hits on a gas purification plant area. Probably one hit on a gas purification plant (MPI). Several hits in the office area. One or two large fires can be noted. Strikes were made by the last group and the results can be observed in later photos.

Leipzig - Fair

The a/c plant at Tokau received scattered concentrations on the western portion. There were ^{very} hits on engine test beds, engine blocks, other factory buildings and a hatted camp area.

Brandis-Polenz A/F - Fair

There were scattered concentrations on the NE edge of the A/F in the hangar area and direct hits on three flight hangars, two probable work shops, and a medium-sized building. At the time of attack, there were 47 t/c and 12 s/c fighters on the field. Three t/c were damaged.

Dessau - Good.

There were heavy concentrations on the city of Dessau, but the primary target was obscured by a smoke screen and results cannot be assessed.

Frankfurt - Poor.

Scattered concentrations fell in the eastern town area, and 12 bombs fell in the M/Y adjacent to the east harbor. There were three direct hits on a bridge crossing this yard and probably some damage to rolling stock.

Zwickau - Poor.

A concentration fell on the A/F, but there is no apparent damage to installations. About 30 bombs fell on the M/Y adjacent to the A/F and there may be some damage here as traffic was heavy during the attack.

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5. G. A. F. Activities over England - Night 28/29 May 1944.

There were three phases of e/a. 1st phase - 11 e/a on armed reconnaissance over the coastal areas of Sussex, 6 e/a made brief land-fall.

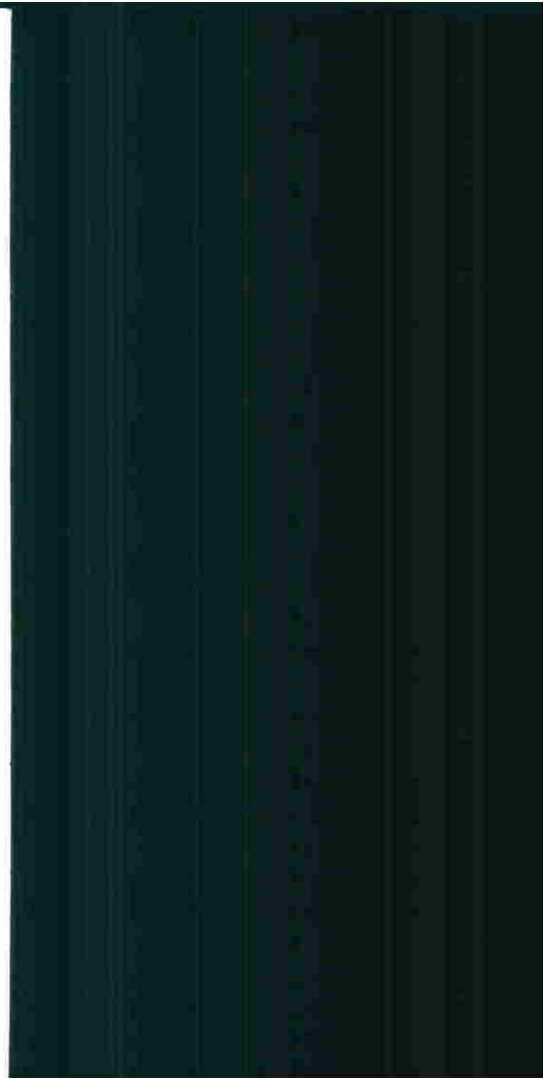
2nd phase - 35 e/a undercover of returning bombers, 8 e/a made shallow penetration Bridgport-Portland, the remainder believed minelaying.

3rd phase - 8 e/a intruders off and over E Anglia, Lincolnshire - a Sterling bomber was shot down.

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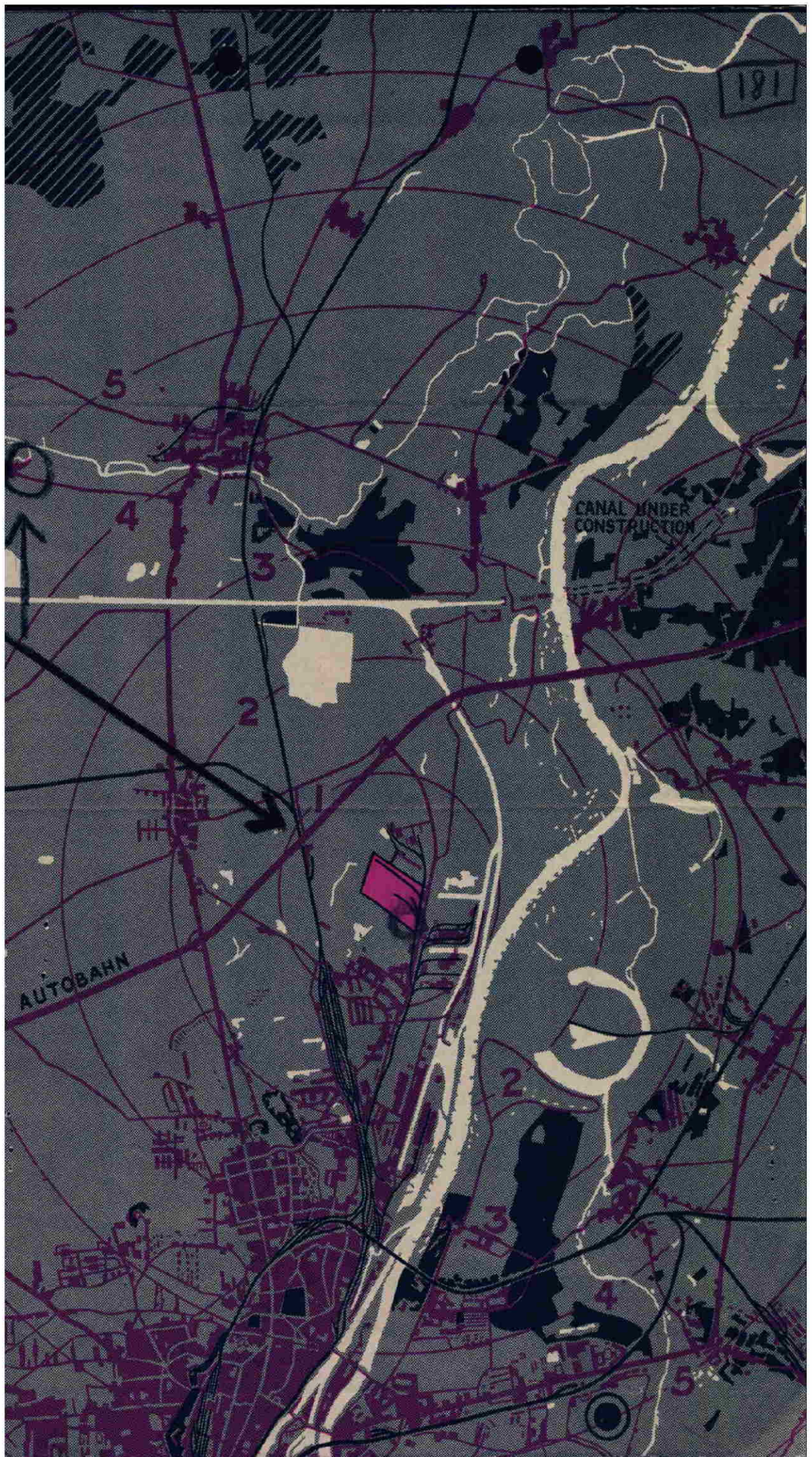


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LT. L. G. LACY
A/C # 389

MISSING AIR CREW REPORT

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Submit one copy to S-1.

IMPORTANT: The following report will be completed within 36 hours of the time an aircraft is officially reported missing.

2. SPECIFY: Point of Departure AAF STATION 139 Course E
Intended Destination Magdeburg; Type of Mission Op.
3. WEATHER CONDITIONS AND VISIBILITY AT TIME OF CRASH OR WHEN LAST REPORTED:
CAVU

4. GIVE: (a) Date 28/5/44 Time 1400; and Location Magdeburg of last known whereabouts of missing aircraft.
(b) Specify whether (☒) Last Sighted; () Last Contacted by Radio; () Forced Down; () Seen to Crash; or () Information not available.
5. AIRCRAFT WAS LOST, OR IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST, AS A RESULT OF: Check only one (☒) Enemy Aircraft; () Enemy Anti-aircraft; () Other circumstances as follows _____

11. IDENTIFY BELOW THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE LAST KNOWLEDGE OF AIRCRAFT, AND CHECK APPROPRIATE COLUMN TO INDICATE BASIS FOR SAME:

Name in Full (Last Name First)	Rank	Serial Number	Contacted By Radio	Last Sighted	Check only one column	
					Saw Crash	Saw Forced Landing
1. <u>WOLF, Edgar W</u>	<u>2nd Lt</u>	<u>0-69129</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
2. <u>SMYTHONS, Edward J</u>	<u>2nd Lt</u>	<u>0-813795</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
3. <u>Williams, Burdette</u>	<u>1st Lt</u>	<u>0-689428</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

12. IF PERSONNEL ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE SURVIVED, ANSWER YES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS: (a) Parachutes were used; (b) Persons were seen walking away from scene of crash; or (c) Any other reason (Specify) _____
13. ATTACH AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH, MAP, CHART, OR SKETCH, SHOWING APPROXIMATE LOCATION WHEN AIRCRAFT WAS LAST SEEN.
14. ATTACH EYEWITNESS DESCRIPTION OF CRASH, FORCED LANDING, OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MISSING AIRCRAFT.

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MISSING A/C REPORT

A/C No. *389* Squadron *351* Group *100* Date Missing *28/5/44*
 Pilot *Lt. L.G. Lacy (22)* Ball T. Gunner *S/sgt. C.L. Powell (16)*
 Co-pilot *Lt. C.E. Schindler (11)* TT Gunner *T/sgt. S.A. Garry (17)*
 Navigator *Lt. R.E. Rossman (11)* Tail Gunner *S/sgt. M. Rotz (18)*
 Bombardier *Lt. H. Greenberg (24)* HW Gunner *S/sgt. J. S. Folson (22)*
 Radio Operator *T/sgt. C.A. Woody (24)* LW Gunner *S/sgt. R.J. Mitchell (22)*
 Observer

Target *Magdeburg*

Position of A/C in Group: (Circle on diagram) →

Position of Group in Formation: *High 4 in 1st A/C*How many chutes were seen? *3*Was A/C lost to: Fighters; AA Fire; Aerial Bomb; Collision; Other:

Where did A/C sustain initial damage?

Where was A/C last seen?

How many previous raids made by crew?

Date of last P/W briefing? (Approx.)

Give a complete narrative citing all known facts not covered by the above questions, using reverse side if necessary. If weather was contributing factor, describe briefly.

a/c 389 was shot down over target area at 1409 hours by e/a. #4 engine was seen smoking and cockpit was afire. 3 chutes were seen

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On route in from coast until it was passed there was a general low 3/10 to 6/10 undercast so that most of the flak encountered to beyond it could have been either seen or unseen. The first flak was reported from Quackenbush at 1320. This was to left and nearer probably unseen. At 1329 flak was reported from Diepholz. This was to left nearer and level probably seen. No flak was seen from Bunker Lake but one observer said he saw gun explosions not firing on north side of lake. At 1333 flak was reported from 5336N - 0850E. This was to right nearer and level but distant probably seen. At 1342 flak was seen from Humberg on left and nearer on right. The Humberg flak nearer and more moderate barrage distant and probably unseen. At 1400 a heavy barrage was put up over Humberg. At 1408 flak was encountered at the target. Heavy lighter attack occurred on the bomb run and the flak did not start until the lighter attack ceased with bombs away at 1408. There was also a heavy smoke screen on the ground. On the 10th group the target flak was reported moderate seen continuous pointed (hindered by smoke screen) flak low to level and practically all to the right. At 1415 nearer seen continuous pointed flak was put up from Diepholz and at the same time a heavy barrage was put up over Bunker Lake which was covered by a smoke screen. At 1432 about 40 bursts were seen from Bunker Lake at another group as flak was also flak at 1445 from 5032N and 1452 from 5032N. At 1515 one area reported 2 waves of 2 rockets at 5032N 1022N (near Humberg). These were low and inaccurate. At 1536 a barrage was put up over Frankfurt. This was of moderate intensity. At 1543 one battery was observed firing from Humberg and at the same time about 30 bursts were put up over Gelsen. The Humberg battery put up soon fairly accurate continuous pointed flak low and level to right. At 1605 flak was observed to right far to distance probably from Humberg and finally at 1649 a 6 gun battery was seen firing accurate seen continuous pointed flak from Gelsen and at another group.

10. A description of flak on route and at target, including if possible, suggestions as to type of fire control employed. Include herein any phenomena or comments.

9. Short description of evasive action in target area.
 - a. A Group None
 - b. B Group None
8. Turn after bombing. (Course away from target)
 - a. A Group 115°
 - b. B Group 115°
7. How long did formation fly straight and level before bombing?
 - a. A Group 4 minutes
 - b. B Group 4 minutes
6. Rate of bomb run. (From lead A/C) A Group 210° B Group 125°

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STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET 5-2 DATE OF ATTACK 5-28-44

PILOT'S NAME F. J. H. H. H. NAVIGATOR A/C NO.

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	A Group	B Group
Lead	<u>25200</u>	<u> </u>
Highest "	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lowest "	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

3. True Heading on Bomb Run 125°

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run 230

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing 4 min sec. sec.

6. Time Bombs Away 1408

7. Turn from Target after Bombing 115°

8. True Course Away from Target 115°

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: None

10. Visibility at Target: 5 miles

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
<u>1247</u>	<u>52°37'N</u> <u>06°37'E</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>Sing all way to</u>
<u>1328</u>	<u>52°34'N</u> <u>07°20'E</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>target because of</u>
<u>1343</u>	<u>52°31'N</u> <u>07°30'E</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>wind Differential</u>
<u>1353</u>	<u>52°42'N</u> <u>10°28'E</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>—</u>	<u> </u>
<u>1359</u>	<u>52°26'N</u> <u>10°42'E</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>IP</u>
<u>1408</u>	<u>52°11'N</u> <u>11°40'W</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>Bombs away</u>
<u>1430</u>	<u>51°26'N</u> <u>13°06'E</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>200</u>	<u> </u>
<u>1438</u>	<u>51°31'N</u> <u>12°50'E</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>—</u>	<u> </u>
<u>1457</u>	<u>50°40'N</u> <u>11°30'</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>190</u>	<u> </u>
<u>1554</u>	<u>50°07'N</u> <u>06°56'</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>181</u>	<u> </u>
<u>1649</u>	<u>51°07'N</u> <u>02°40'E</u>	<u>282</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>Depart Coast</u>

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INTERROGATING OFFICER

STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

TARGET Megohuburg DATE OF ATTACK May 28-44

PILOT'S NAME Mourad Jellou NAVIGATOR Th. Bonitz A/C NO. 708

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	A Group	B Group
Lead A/C		
Highest "	<u>25000</u>	<u>25300</u>
Lowest "		

3. True Heading on Bomb Run

125°

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run

1974

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing _____ sec. None sec.

6. Time Bombs Away

1405

7. Turn from Target after Bombing

Sharp to left.

8. True Course Away from Target

58°

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: Being attacked

by E/C - made slight weave until sharp
turn as bombs away.

10. Visibility at Target: Good

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
1247	52 39 04 22 E	97°	185	
1318	52 33 07 20	110°	195	
1337	52 33 10 42	122°	—	beginning into trail
1359	IP	110°	197	for bomb run
1408	Tupik	95°	197	
1417	51 55 12 20 E	150	—	
1458	50 40 10 20 E	258	—	on target - on bomb
1556	50 10 08 47 E	292	190	
1649	51 10 02 46 E	295	185	grad from target

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INTERROGATING OFFICER

W. G. Hutchins

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STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships Only

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TARGET _____ DATE OF ATTACK 28-5-44PILOT'S NAME H. Brown NAVIGATOR H. F. M. Johnson A/C NO. 621

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

	Lead	A/C	A Group	B Group
Highest	"	"	_____	<u>35,000</u>
Lowest	"	"	_____	_____

3. True Heading on Bomb Run _____ 240°
4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run _____ 217 knots
5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing _____ sec. unknown sec.
6. Time Bombs Away _____ 1408
7. Turn from Target after Bombing _____ Sharp Left
8. True Course Away from Target _____ 70°

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area: Sharp turn to Left and slight dive. No flack.
10. Visibility at Target: Smoke Screen raised -

1. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
1246	5237-0437	112	185	Hit coast.
1327	Dumman Lake	107	185	
1352	5243-1100	101 to 193	195	Turned from 101 to 193.
1358	Briefal IP	193	195	T.P.
				Turned to 190
				Lost for about 30 minutes.
1505	5070 0656	265	170	Changed to 295
1650	5107 0240	295	170	Enemy coast.

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INTERPRETING OFFICER R. D. Knight

TARGET

DATE OF ATTACK

PILOT'S NAME

SHIF MC.

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TARGET

Magdeburg

DATE OF ATTACK

PILOT'S NAME

Joseph

SHIP NO.

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DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET _____

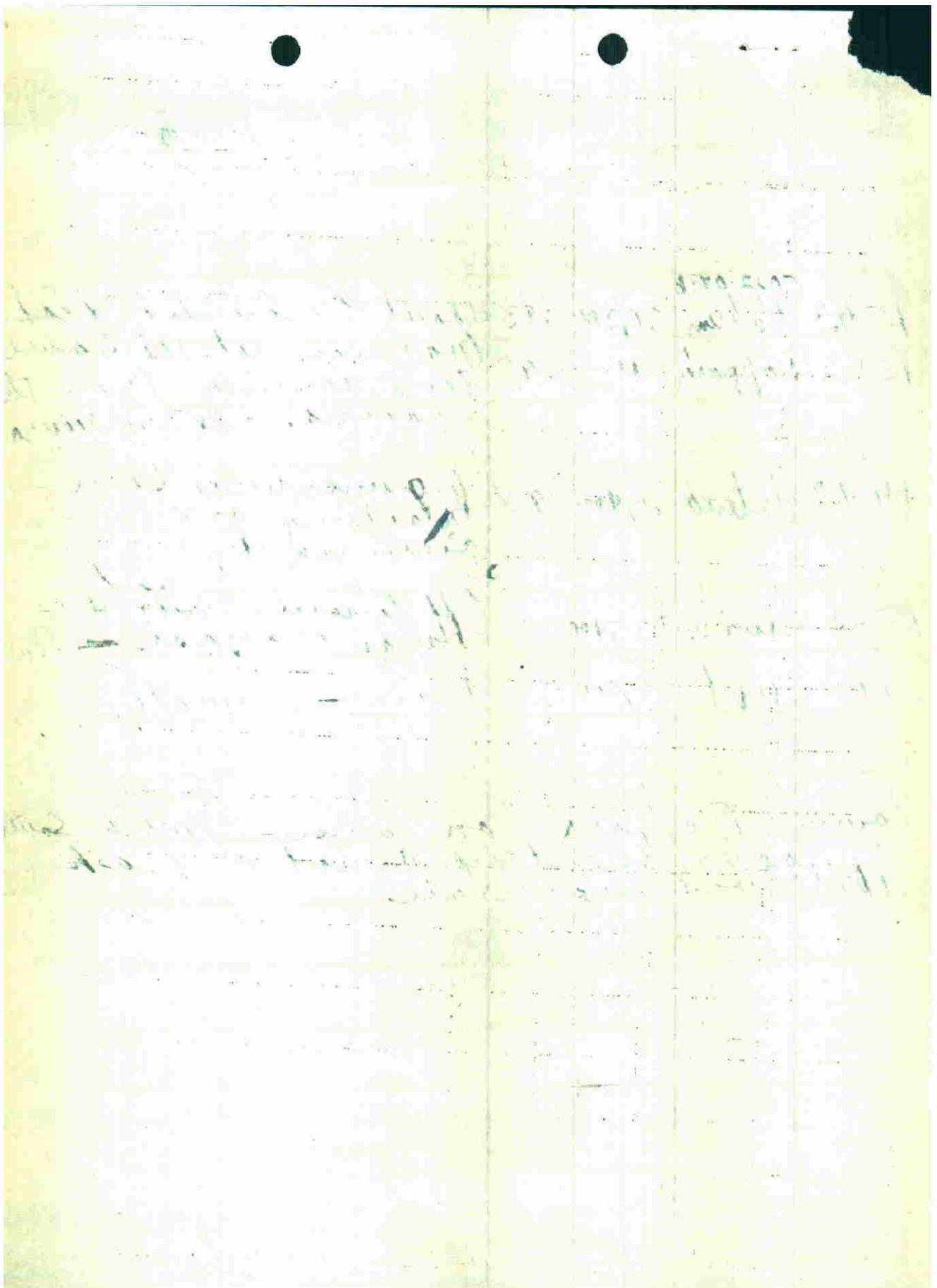
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PILOT'S NAME North

SHIP NO. _____

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL-ABOVE BELOW-CLOCK POSITION-UNUSUAL PHENOMEN A
1543	Koblenz	20,300	293	About 27 bursts of flak
1543	Boppard	11	293	was seen at the same time coming from the ground. - very accurate
1648	Astend	20,400	297	6 guns were seen - tracking group on our right.
1523	Frankfurt	20,400		Off to our right ^{left} - Large Barrage - level.
1408	target	25,200		Heavy - accurate.
Town of Boppard - on Cause - 8 miles south of Koblenz sent up a lot of flak that was accurate.				

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TARGET Magdeburg

DATE OF ATTACK 28 May 44

PILOT'S NAME Schwartz

SHIP NO. 895 ✓[illegible]

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TARGET

DATE OF ATTACK

PILOT'S NAME

SHIF NO.

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PILOT'S NAME

DATE OF ATTACK

SHLF NC.

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DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET MagdeburgDATE OF ATTACK 28 MayPILOT'S NAME MillionsSHIP NO. 011

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL-ABOVE BELOW-CLOCK POSITION-UNUSUAL PHENOMENON A
1333	5238 0840	25,200'	89°	20'clock level - inaccurate. meager -
1340	5238 0930	25,100'	88°	10'clock low - at lead tip. meager
1345	5240 0958	25,300'	82°	30'clock high - inaccurate meager
1358	I.P. 5226 1100	25,000'	145°	120'clock low - tracking - moderate.
1400 1420	Target Area	25,200'	120°	predicted Barrage - all over sky - moderate -
1432	5157 1307	22,800'	201°	Rockets at 3 o'clock low - inaccurate - meager (2 shots)
1445	5100 1220	21,000'	244°	10'clock high - 5-10 gun salvos - shooting at somebody else.
1515	5032 1022	20,700'	259°	rockets at 9 o'clock level & in distance - 2 gun salvos.
1544	5014 0839	20,500'	259°	2 o'clock low - meager
1605	5018 0612	20,500'	290°	2 o'clock low - far in distance
1650	Ostend	20,600'	290°	10'clock level on lead tip. 10-15 bursts.

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TARGET Magdeburg

DATE OF ATTACK 28 May 44

PILOT'S NAME

SIF NO.

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TARGET Madda

DATE OF ATTACK

SHIF NO.

PILOT'S NAME

DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL-ABOVE
REGION-CLOCK POSITION-UNUSUAL PHENOMENON A

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DESCRIPTIVE FLAK FORM

TARGET _____

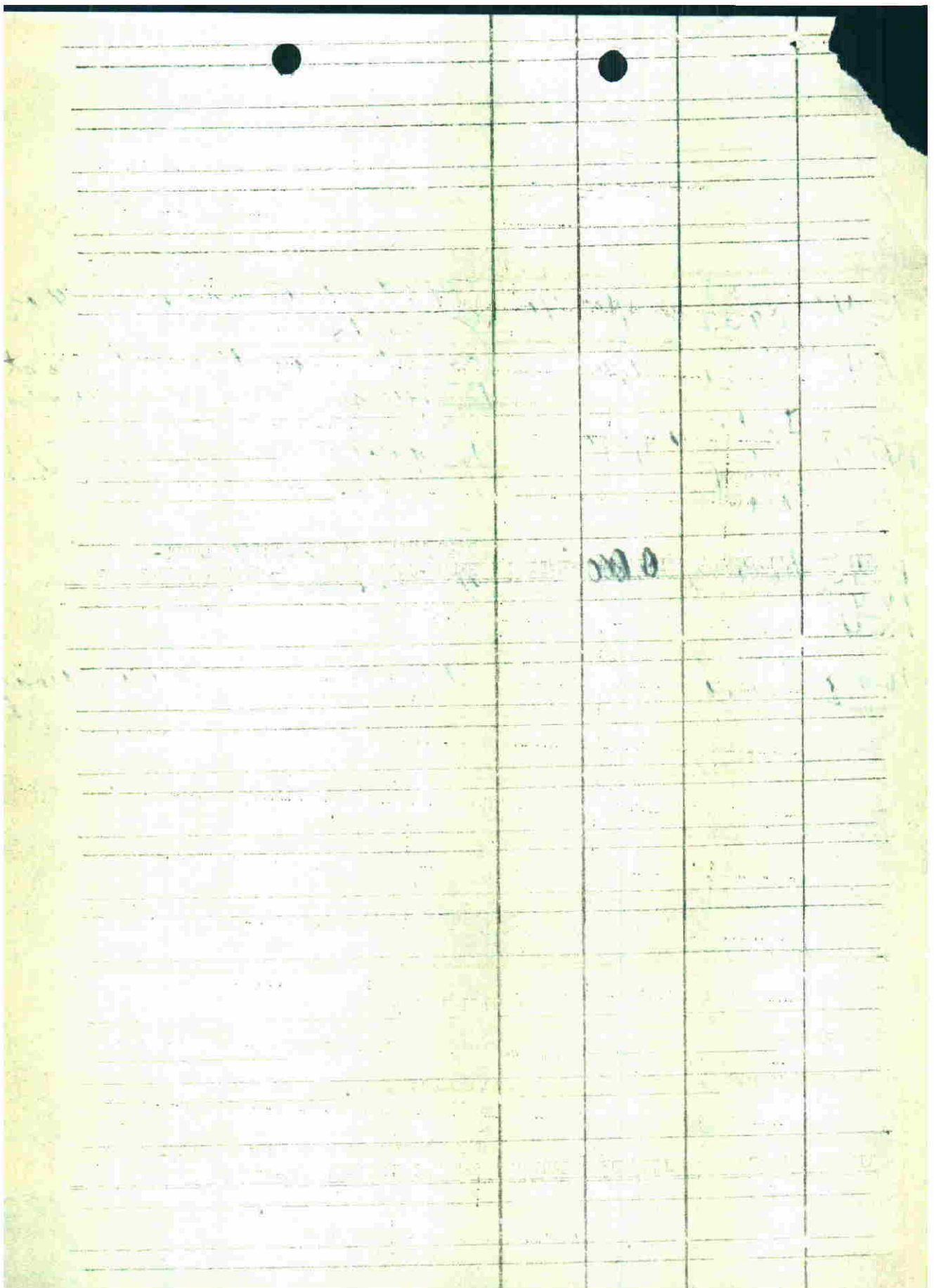
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PILOT'S NAME Chadwick

SHIP NO. _____

TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL-ABOVE BELOW-CLOCK POSITION-UNUSUAL PHENOMENON A
1342	5338 0932	24,400	70	off at 11 O'clock - 4 or 8 bursts -
1345	Celle	24,400		over to right - at least 15 guns - inaccurate
1407	E.P. to target	24,800		Heavy - accurate.
1545	Koblenz	20,000	265	Came from Koblenz - 4 guns -
1648	Ostend			4 guns - 150 yds away.

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TARGET

DATE OF ATTACK

PILOT'S NAME Mordeck

SHIP NO.

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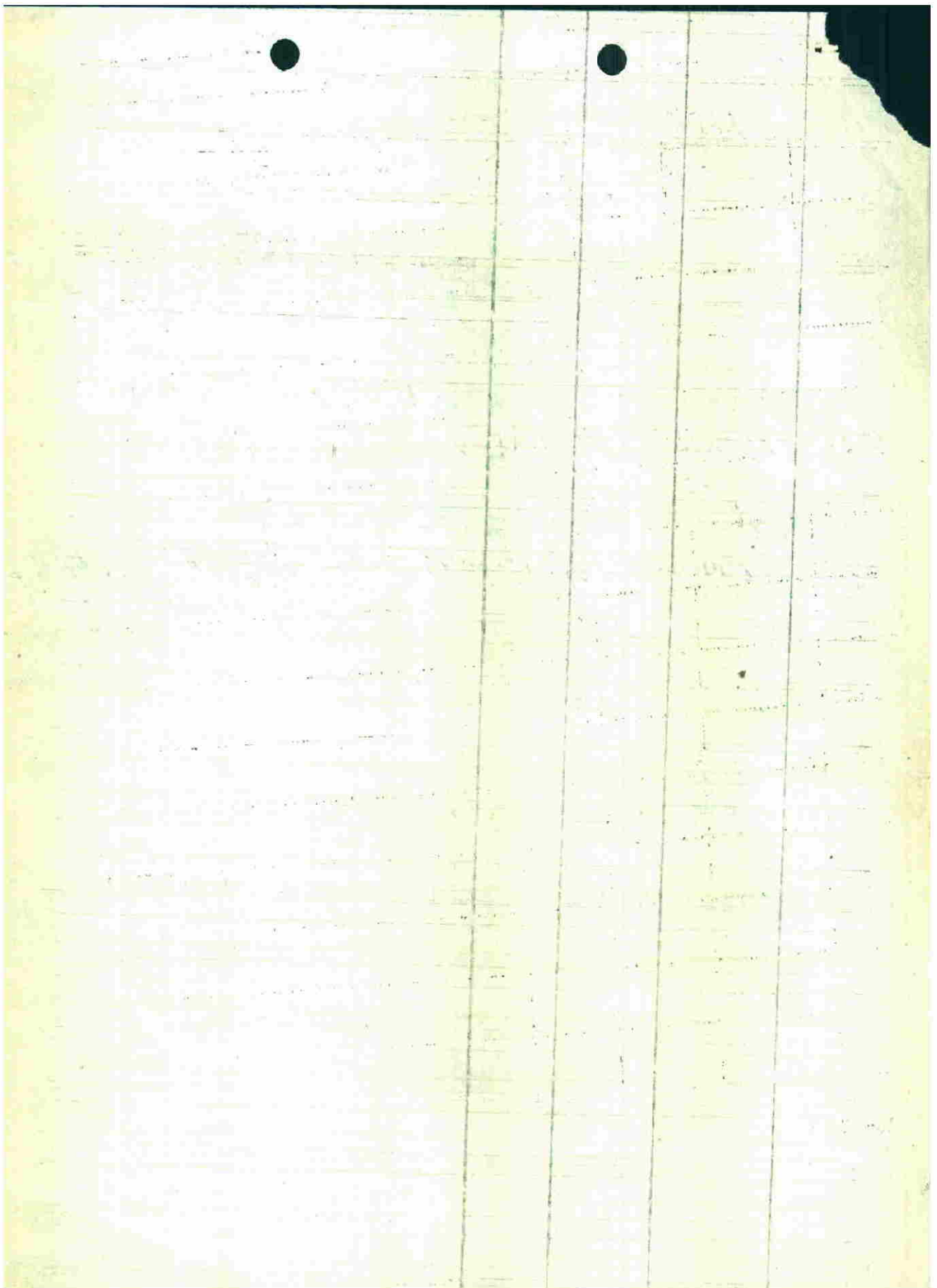
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TIME	PLACE	ALTITUDE	HEADING	DESCRIPTION OF FLAK GIVING LEVEL-ABOVE BELOW-CLOCK POSITION-UNUSUAL PHENOMENON
1408	T/A	23000	170°	at right ahead - intense - rockets - black bursts -
1545	Cableway	19000	255°	light - low - to right
1649	✓ III - 0249E	18600	210°	bursts of 5 guns - 18 bursts in all - very close - off to right & level

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PILOT'S NAME

DATE OF ATTACK

SHIF NC.

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TARGET

DATE OF ATTACK

28-5-44

PILOT'S NAME

SHIP NO.

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TARGET Megdeburg

DATE OF ATTACK 2 Feb 54

PILOT'S NAME Kreiner

SHIP NO. 066

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STATISTICAL FLAK FORM
For Lead Ships OnlyTARGET GERA DATE OF ATTACK 28 May 1944PILOT'S NAME Heider, Heider NAVIGATOR Ringbom A/C NO. 1986

1. The 100th A Group flew (high-lead-low) of the 13th() C.W. in 3rd B.D. Formation.
The 100th B Group flew (high-lead-low) " " " () " " " " "

2. Altitude over Target -

Lead A/C
Highest "
Lowest "

A Group

B Group

19,000 (23,200 over meadow)

3. True Heading on Bomb Run

240

4. Ground Speed on Bomb Run

192

5. Flew Straight and Level before Bombing
- 4 min
- sec.

sec.

6. Time Bombs Away

1448

7. Turn from Target after Bombing

Slight turn to left

8. True Course Away from Target

225

9. Brief Description of Evasive Action in Target Area:
- None

10. Visibility at Target:

11. ACTUAL ROUTE FLOWN OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: Must be exact and give check points.

TIME	COORDINATES	TRUE HEADING	GROUND SPEED	REMARKS
<u>1246 1/2</u>	<u>5237 - 0437</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>186 1/2</u>	
<u>1328 1/2</u>	<u>5235 - 0820</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>170</u>	
<u>1341</u>	<u>5238 - 0930</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>170</u>	
<u>1351</u>	<u>5243 - 1042</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>162</u>	
<u>1358 1/2</u>	<u>5226 - 1100</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>I.P.</u>
<u>1410</u>	<u>5211 - 1140</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>Target</u>
<u>1413</u>	<u>5515 - 1156</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>180</u>	
<u>1430 1/2</u>	<u>5126 - 1303</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>170</u>	
<u>1439</u>	<u>5101 - 1245</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>170</u>	
<u>1448</u>	<u>5052 - 1204</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>D.T.O. Bombed</u>
<u>1556</u>	<u>5007 - 0656</u>	<u>257</u>	<u>192</u>	
<u>1649 1/2</u>	<u>5107 - 0240</u>	<u>287</u>	<u>196 (cont)</u>	

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INTERROGATING OFFICER

C.W. Terry

HEADQUARTERS
100TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer

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APG 559
28 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Sortie Information, Operational Mission # 181

TO : S-1, 100th Bomb Group (H), APG 559

1. The following pilots and their crews flew Operational Mission # 181, 28 May 1944:

PILOT	TARGET BOMBED	COORDINATES TURNED BACK	N/A OBSERVED
Lt. G. S. Allen	Yes	Target	Yes*
Lt. H. E. Bethen	"	"	"
Lt. J. P. Gibbons	"	"	"
Lt. W. I. Greiner	"	"	"
Major M. G. Fuller	}	"	"
Lt. G. E. Harris			
Lt. R. F. Fischer	"	"	"
Major S. H. Knoder	}	"	"
Lt. F. J. Herres			
Lt. S. T. Major	"	"	"
Lt. E. P. McEague	"	"	"
Lt. R. V. E. Monrad	}	"	"
Capt. J. L. Zeller			
Lt. G. W. Mylius	"	"	"
Lt. E. P. Noerdyk	"	"	"
Lt. G. W. Rake	"	"	"
Lt. D. C. Rice	"	"	"
Lt. H. Rosine	"	"	"
Lt. G. Roth	"	"	"
Lt. M. C. Rumley	"	"	"
Lt. J. E. Schwank	"	"	"
Lt. H. Tishrt	"	"	"
Lt. B. Williams	"	"	"
Lt. C. W. Woldt	"	"	"
Lt. E. Zapf	"	"	"
Lt. R. T. Chadwick	"	"	"
Lt. L. G. Lacy	No	MISSING (Target Area)	No
Lt. J. P. Kays (Spare)		52°37'N-03°00'E	
Lt. R. J. Schomp "		52°36'N-03°10'E	
Lt. E. J. Simmons		52°20'N-01°40'E	
Lt. E. W. Wolf		52°20'N-01°20'E	

* Indicates encounters

MARVIN S. BORMAN
Capt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
100TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer

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AFPO 559
28 May 1944

SUBJECT: Digest, Crew Comments and Suggestions, Operational Mission #181

TO : Commanding Officer, 100th Bomb Group (H), AFPO 559

1. Submitted herewith is a digest of crew comments and suggestions compiled by S-2 on Operational Mission #181, 28 May 1944:

- a. Lt. L.F. Lowans, crew #78 - Have friendly fighters between I.P. and target.
- b. Members, crew #78 - Would like a definite airplane assigned to our crew.
- c. Members, crew #74 - Such facilities as the P.X., service club, and barber shop should stay open so that we will be able to use them.
- d. Lt. E.D. Moordyk, crew #17 - On way back over the enemy coast there were 4 ships that had no men in the ball turret; one was 695.
- e. Members, crew #17 - Have been asking for armor plate for ship 609 several times and still no response.
- f. M, crew #51 - 1. We definitely need hot water for showers after a mission. 2. 350th latrines have no toilet paper. If not available how about newspapers or mush. 3. Coffee and sandwiches out on the line this morning was a good thing. The mess Sgt. is doing a great job.
- g. Lt. D.C. Rice, crew #28 - Fighters should stay by on bomb run. At least hold a few for those making Xun and hold part of them back for other groups.
- h. Lt. C.W. Woldt, crew #62 - Suggest that at least half of the fighters support should stay in front after bombing target.
- i. Members, crew #44 - Today for the third time we found guns that had been fired and not cleaned. This is bad business.
- j. Lt. C.W. Nyluis, crew #67 - Friendly fighters should remain for protection in front of group. Didn't see any for 34 minutes.
- k. Members, crew #19 - Would like coal for barracks. Would still appreciate sandwiches at interrogation.
- l. Lt. A.J. Burkhart, crew #21 - No point in flying over Ostend.
- m. Members, crew #53 - Combat crew have to carry side arms on station but have no ammunition.
- n. Officers, crew #80 - Want soap in officers club to wash before eating after mission. Also want hot water in C.A.A.F. Site.
- o. Members, crew #80 - Suggest stronger escort from I.P. to target.
- p. Members, crew #20 - Silver ships flying as lead ships should be painted D.D. color on the top of fuselage as it is hard on the eyes.
- q. Lt. D. Shoss, crew #30 - Would like temperature gauge.
- r. M crew #30 - Want place to have dry cleaning done.

MARVIN S. BOWMAN
Capt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer

HEADQUARTERS
ONE HUNDRETH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H), AAF
Office of the Station Engineering Officer
APO 559

28 May 1944

SUBJECT: Battle Damage Report for Mission 28 May 1944.

TO : Commanding Officer, 100th Bombardment Group (H), AAF.

SHIP #102611

1. 80 mm. entered lower left side of fuselage near station 6 I, passed thru bulkhead 7 and out into right horizontal stabilizer, stabilizer damaged.
2. Shell casing broke magneto harness right side #2 engine.
3. Shell casing broke baffle plate between #6 and #7 cylinders #4 engine.
4. Shell casing hole in leading edge right outer wing panel, skin damage.
5. Shell casing broke plexi-glass nose.
6. Squadron and Sub-Group repair.

Eugene Rovigno (RR)
EUGENE ROVIGNO,
Major, Air Corps,
Engineering Officer.

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FROM TAS 29/1718B
TO THE
OIHRM

CONFIDENTIAL 100BG M-658-D ATTN: A-2 REPORTING SECTION

100 "A" AND 100 "B" - INTELLIGENCE NARRATIVE - ~~MAENKEMM~~ MAGDEBURG
28 MAY 1944

A. ENEMY AIR OPPOSITION:

1. THE 100 "B" GROUP FLEW HIGH IN THE 13 "A" WING. ALSO 6 A/C OF THIS GROUP FLEW AS LEAD SQUADRON IN THE COMPOSITE (100 "A") GROUP WHICH FLEW LOW IN THE 13 "A" WING.
2. ATTACKS WERE CONCENTRATED ON THE 3 SQUADRONS OF THE 100 "B" GROUP. SEVERAL ATTACKS WERE MADE ON OUR SQUADRON FLYING IN THE 100 "A" GROUP, BUT THEY WERE COMPARATIVELY WEAK.
3. E/A WERE FIRST SEEN AT 1400 HOURS, NEAR THE I.P. THEY APPROACHED OUR FORMATION FROM THE NE FLYING IN FORMATION, PULLED AHEAD AND MADE THE FIRST ATTACKS AT 1403 HOURS. ATTACKS CONTINUED IN WAVES UNTIL 1412 HOURS. A FEW SCATTERED ATTACKS CONTINUED UNTIL ABOUT 1425 HOURS.
4. IT WAS DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF E/A ENCOUNTERED BY THIS GROUP. ESTIMATES OF THE NUMBER ATTACKING OUR WING FORMATION RANGE FROM FIFTY TO MORE THAN A HUNDRED. IN ADDITION TO THOSE ATTACKING US OTHERS WERE SEEN HIGH ABOVE OUR FORMATION AND ABOUT 25 JU 88'S WERE SEEN FLYING IN FORMATION BELOW AND SEVERAL THOUSAND YARDS TO THE LEFT OF OUR FORMATION. THOSE ATTACKING WERE THOUGHT TO BE ABOUT EVENLY DIVIDED BETWEEN FW 190'S AND ME 109'S, WITH POSSIBLY A MAJORITY OF ME 109'S. MEMBERS OF OUR CREW REPORT THAT THERE WERE A FEW ME 410'S INVOLVED IN THE MASS ATTACKS.

COLORS AND MARKINGS WERE OBSERVED AS FOLLOWS: BROWN NOSE, SILVER BODY, BLUE TAIL WITH RED MARKINGS: SOLID SILVER WITH RED MARKINGS: AND YELLOW NOSES, YELLOW WING TIPS, RED TAILS WITH BLACK MARKINGS. GENERALLY, E/A WERE PAINTED WITH LOUD COLORS AND DID NOT APPEAR TO BE GROUPED ACCORDING TO COLOR.

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100"A" AND 100 "B" - INTELLIGENCE NARRATIVE - MADENBURG - 28 MAY 1944.

A. HEAVY AIR OPPOSITION:

1. THE 100 "B" GROUP FLEW HIGH IN THE 13 "A" WING. ALSO 6 A/C OF THIS GROUP FLEW AS LEAD SQUADRON IN THE COMPOSITE(100"A") GROUP WHICH FLEW LOW IN THE 13 "A" WING.
2. ATTACKS WERE CONCENTRATED ON THE 3 SQUADRONS OF THE 100"B" GROUP. SEVERAL ATTACKS WERE MADE ON OUR SQUADRON FLYING IN THE 100"A" GROUP, BUT THEY WERE COMPARATIVELY WEAK.
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4. IT WAS DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF E/A ENCOUNTERED BY THIS GROUP. ESTIMATES OF THE NUMBER ATTACKING OUR WING FORMATION RANGE FROM FIFTY TO MORE THAN A HUNDRED. IN ADDITION TO THOSE ATTACKING US OTHERS WERE SEEN HIGH ABOVE OUR FORMATION AND ABOUT 25 JU 88'S WERE SEEN FLYING IN FORMATION BELOW AND SEVERAL THOUSAND YARDS TO THE LEFT OF OUR FORMATION. THOSE ATTACKING WERE THOUGHT TO BE ABOUT EVENLY DIVIDED BETWEEN FW 190'S AND ME 109'S, WITH POSSIBLY A MAJORITY OF ME 109'S. MEMBERS OF OUR CREW REPORT THAT THERE WERE A FEW ME 410'S INVOLVED IN THE MASS ATTACKS.

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CONFIDENTIAL 100BG M-642-D ATTN: A-2 REPORTING SECTION
100 "A" AND 100 "B" BG - OPERATIONAL NARRATIVE - MAGDEBURG -
28 MAY 1944:

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 - (3). OUR A/C # 389 WAS SHOT DOWN OVER THE TARGET AREA AT 1409 HOURS BY E/A. THE #4 ENGINE WAS SEEN SMOKING AND THE COCKPIT WAS AFIRE. THREE CHUTES WERE SEEN.
 - (4). FIGHTER SUPPORT WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN VERY GOOD EXCEPT DURING THE PERIOD OF E/A ATTACKS. VERY FEW FIGHTERS WERE SEEN DURING THIS PERIOD. CREW MEMBERS BELIEVED THAT THEY HAD BEEN INTERCEPTED BY E/A NEAR THE I.P. SINCE THERE APPEARED TO BE A BIG DOG FIGHT IN PROGRESS HIGH ABOVE OUR FORMATIONS.

COBORER ONE HUNDRED.

OPERATIONAL REPORT - STATISTICAL SECTION

PRIMARY TARGET	Magdeburg	GERA	TOTAL
1. GROUP/WING	100B/13A	100A/13A	
2. A/C AIRBORNE	21 A/C	7 A/C	
3. A/C DISPATCHED			
4. A/C ATTACKING	17 A/C	6 A/C	
5. A/C FAILING TO ATTACK			
a. Mechanical	2 A/C		
b. Weather			
c. Enemy Action	1 A/C		
d. Other			
e. UNUSED SPARES	1 A/C	1 A/C	
6. A/C LOST		NONE	
a. To AA			
b. To e/a	1 A/C		
c. To AA and e/a			
d. To accident			
e. By reasons unknown			
7. TIME OF ATTACK	1408	1448	
8. ALTITUDE OF ATTACK	25,200	19,000	
9. BOMBS DROPPED (PRIMARY)			
a. Number	170		
b. Size	500 lb		
c. Type	GP		
BOMBS DROPPED (OTHER)			
a. Number		228	
b. Size		100 lb	
c. Type		GP	
BOMBS DROPPED (OTHER)			
a. Number			
b. Size			
c. Type			
10. PERSONNEL CASUALTIES	None	None	
a. Killed			
b. Wounded			
c. Missing			
d. Rescued	10 MEN		
11. BATTLE DAMAGE		None	
a. Minor	1 A/C		
b. Major	2 A/C		
c. Salvage			

12. CLAIMS-

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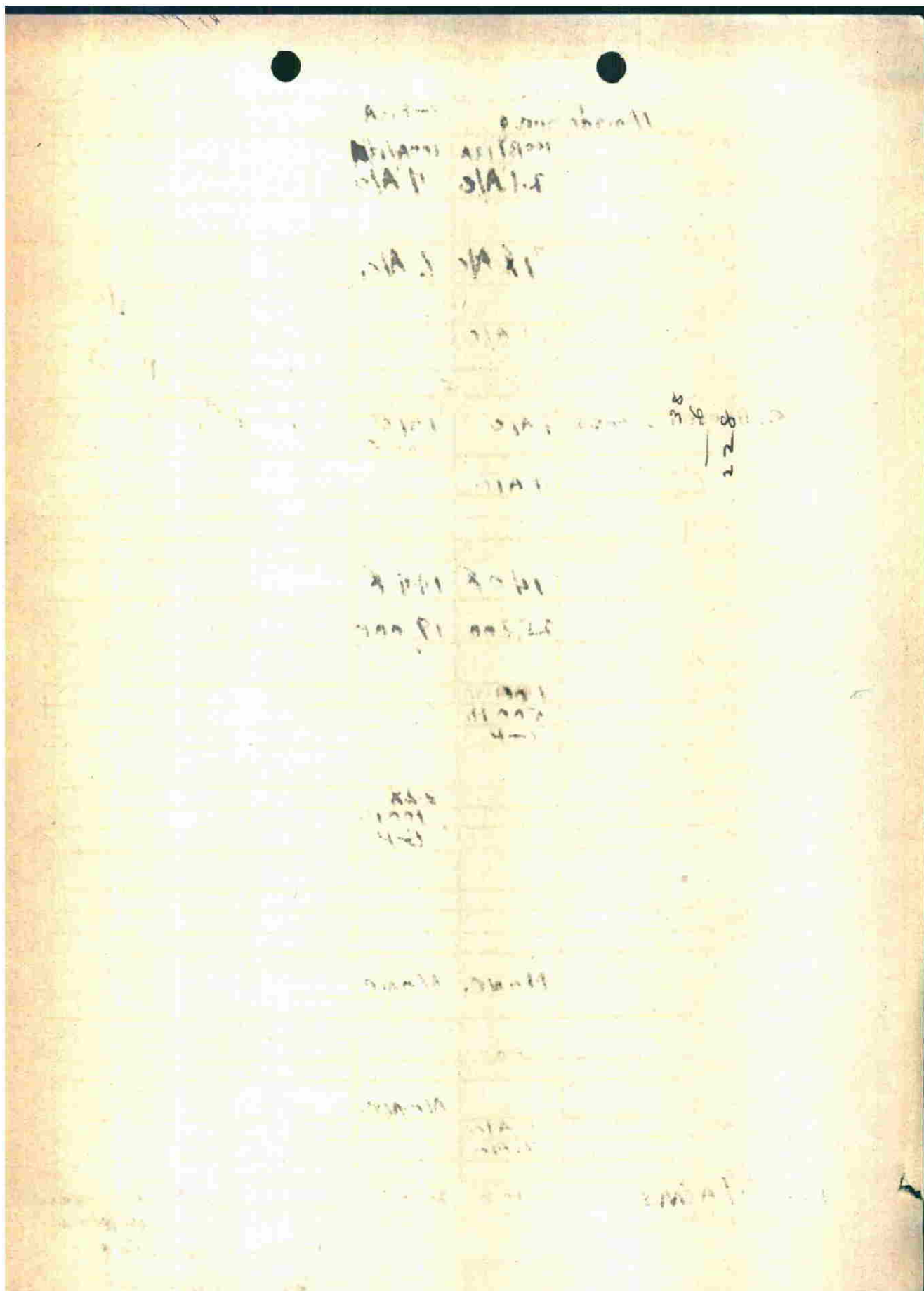
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A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 047 A/C Letter —
 Squadron 357th Pilot Lt. Ew. Wolf
 Time landed at base 1310
 Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:
52 20 - 0120E
 Time turned back 1113
 Altitude at time turned back 12,000'
 Reason for abortion Lost supercharger #1 engine - manifold press.
Brought Back dropped.
 Disposition of bombs Brought back or jettisoned
 Name of Interrogating Officer Lt. J. N. Shirley

A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 936 A/C Letter M
 Squadron 357th Pilot Lt. G. J. Simmons
 Time landed at base 1300
 Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:
5220 - 0140E
 Time turned back 1130
 Altitude at time turned back 12,000
 Reason for abortion Has kept streaming out of primer
 Disposition of bombs Brought Back
Brought back or jettisoned
 Name of Interrogating Officer Lt. J. W. Shirley

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A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 211 A/C Letter N
 Squadron 349 Pilot Lt. Keys
 Time landed at base 1320

Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:

5237 - 0300 East.

Time turned back 12 28
 Altitude at time turned back 16,000
 Reason for abortion No place to fill in
 Disposition of bombs Brought back
 Brought back or jettisoned
 Name of Interrogating Officer G. Knight

A/C RETURNING EARLY

A/C Number 598 A/C Letter F
 Squadron 351 Pilot Lt. Schamp
 Time landed at base 1354

Point or coordinates of point at which A/C turned back:

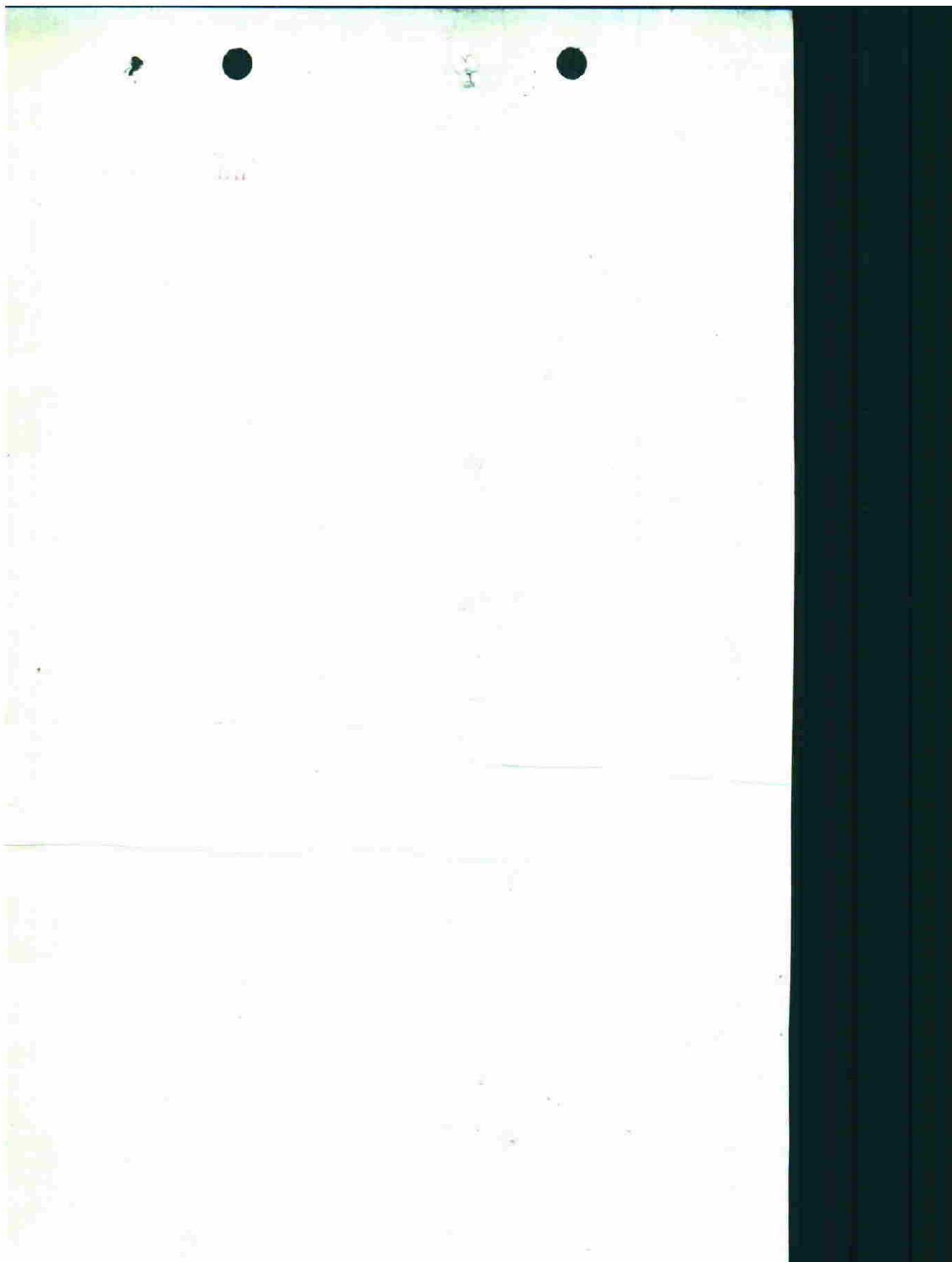
5236 - 0310
 Time turned back 1228
 Altitude at time turned back 22,000
 Reason for abortion No place to fill in
 Disposition of bombs Brought back
 Brought back or jettisoned
 Name of Interrogating Officer G. Knight

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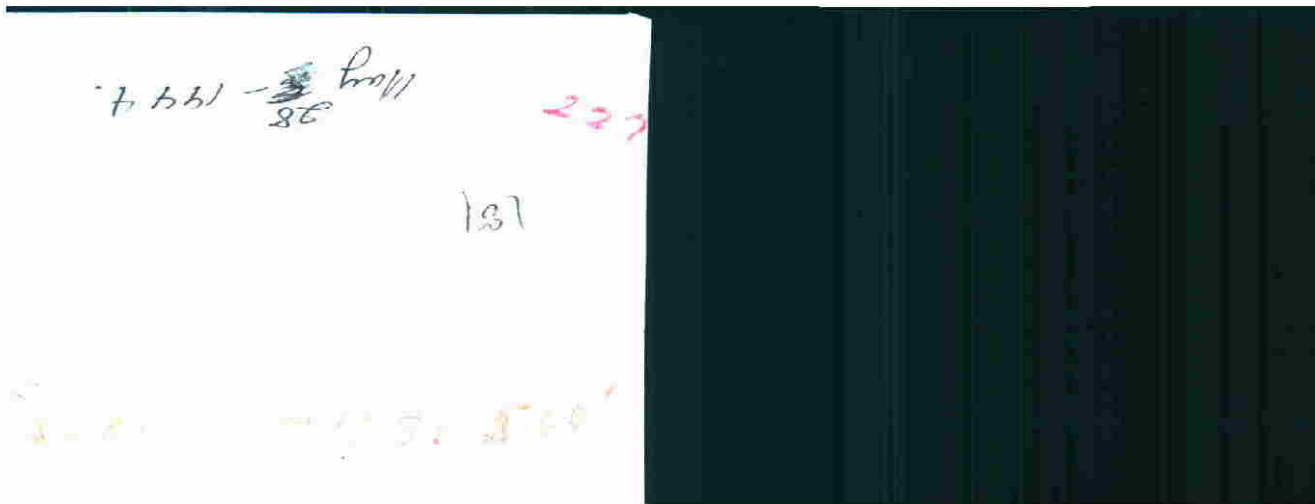


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STATION #139
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21 July 1944

SUBJECT: Individual Combat Claims

TO : Commanding General, 3d Bombardment Division, APO 559
Attn: AC of S, A-2

1. Enclosed herewith one combat claim, in triplicate, for mission of 28 May 1944. This is a re-submission of the original claim which was evaluated as probable.

For the Commanding Officer:

MARVIN S. BOWMAN
Capt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
STATION #139
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5 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Evaluation - Combat Reports - Magdeburg - 28 May 1944.

TO : Commanding General, 3d Bombardment Division, APO 559
Attn: AG of S, A-2 (Capt. Pollock)

1. None.
2. None.
3. None.
4. None.
5. The 100th Bomb Group Evaluation Board submitted 28 claims which were evaluated as 10-2-3-3.

The 3rd Bomb Division evaluation was 9-2-6-3 with credit for 3 claims being given to claims # 30, 42 and 55.

For the Commanding Officer:

MARVIN. S. BOWMAN
Capt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer.

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100TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
Office of the Intelligence Officer

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APO 559
8 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Tabulation of E/A Encounters

TO : 3-1, 100th Bomb Group (H), APO 559

1. The following is an evaluation of E/A encounters by 3rd Bomb Division on the mission - Strasbourg, Karlsruhe, Lutskendorf and Tactical - 28 May 1944:

NAME	SQUADRON	DESTROYED	PROBABLE	DAMAGED	NO CLAIM
Lt. J. E. Dimel	418	X			
Lt. W. M. Pickett	418	X			
T/Sgt. L. N. Thompson	418	X			
S/Sgt. L. Tekel	351				
T/Sgt. C. H. Thompson	350		X		
S/Sgt. D. W. Harris	418			X	
S/Sgt. D. W. Harris	418			X	
Lt. F. L. Cate	351			X	
Lt. R. L. Miehler	351			X	
T/Sgt. J. T. Pyles	418			X	
Lt. N. T. High	351				X
Lt. H. Cherry	418				X
S/Sgt. G. E. Symington	418				X
Lt. V. C. Breageale	418	X			
S/Sgt. P. E. Hunter	418	X			
S/Sgt. P. E. Hunter	418	X			
T/Sgt. Good	350	X			
S/Sgt. M. P. Dettoviano	349	X			
S/Sgt. F. A. LaBelle	351				
S/Sgt. H. S. Rulong	418		X		
P/O D. L. White	351			X	
Lt. G. E. Benitz	351				X
S/Sgt. H. F. Carter	418				X
Lt. T. A. McKenna	418				X
P/O R. E. Battista	418				X
T/Sgt. W. B. Yates					X
Sgt. Carl Platkin					
S/Sgt. R. A. Bayer					

Credit given to claim # 55
" " " " # 42
" " " " # 30MARVIN S. BOWMAN
Capt., Air Corps
Intelligence Officer.**CONFIDENTIAL**

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FROM OIHRM 070959B

TO TAS

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RESTRICTED 13CBW U22D ATTENTION S-2.
EVALUATIONS, 28 MAY 1944:

100TH GROUP: 8 - 2 - 6 - 8

EVALUATIONS, 29 MAY 1944:

100TH GROUP: 0 - 0 - 2 - 1

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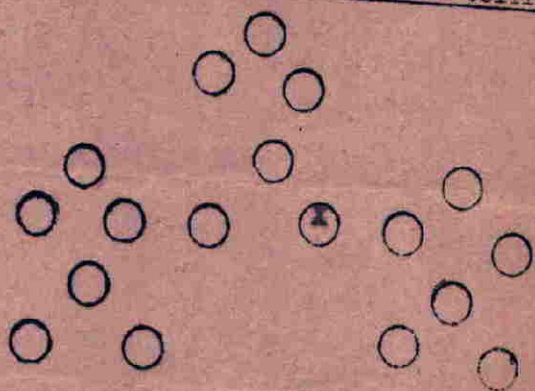
COMBAT REPORT

4 BY A-2. 6(1-8-43)

GROUP 100 SQN. 351st A/C 256 DATE 29 May 1944
 WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE MAGDEBURG HEIGHT 20,000 TIME 14:21

Our Heading 165
 Type of E/A FW-190
 Clock Pos. 9-12
 Attack Level LOW

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

15 E/A were out at nine o'clock. 2 E/A peeled off under the formation and ended up 12 o'clock. The 2 E/A were echeloned up and back. I started to fire on the lead E/A and had plenty of time to track him as he traveled around to 11:30 o'clock. At 1100 yards out I started tracking him under the formation and at 700 yards out I gave him two to three long bursts. The E/A was smoking badly from the cockpit. The E/A then looked as if it were to pull up to point his nose up to fire but he pulled nose down after the long bursts into a dive. Could see the crosses on top of both wings. (Tekel's A/C was flying Right Wing). The Bombardier and the Right Waist Gunner of the Lead Ship stated they saw flames enveloping the wing and cockpit of the E/A..

* Note that Tekel was flying A/C 256 and the Corroborating Witnesses were flying A/C 066, which was the Lead Ship of the 2nd Element.

EVALUATED
 PROBABLE
 A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. L. Tekel Position BT

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by: _____

Lt. George A. Meyer A/C No. 066 Position in A/C B

S/Sgt. Charles E. Wehner A/C No. 066 Position in A/C RW

Comments of interrogator: _____

INTERROGATOR JAMES E. DOWERS, CAPT., A.C. Time _____

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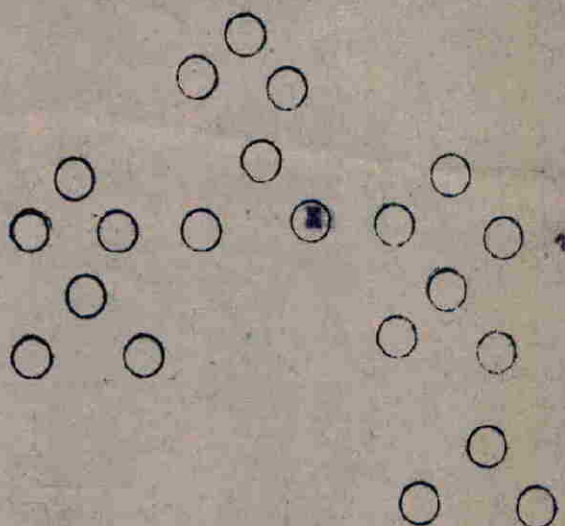
COMBAT REPORT

4 BT A-2. 6(1-8-43)

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 175 6 DATE 28 May 1944WHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE 5226 N - 1100 E HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1404

Our Heading	<u>130</u>
Type of E/A	<u>Me 109</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>1230</u>
Attack Level	<u>Slightly high</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

This Me 109 came in under the lat attack. I opened fire when he was about 600 to 800 yds. He was headed underneath our A/C and kept giving him a series of bursts of 25 rds. Just after this series of bursts he exploded when he was out at 600 yds. I was firing from 230 o'clock position at this E/A.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. P.E. Hunter Position BTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. NoneIf E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by PB

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

Board: DestroyedINTERROGATOR Lt. L.W. Sheets Time _____

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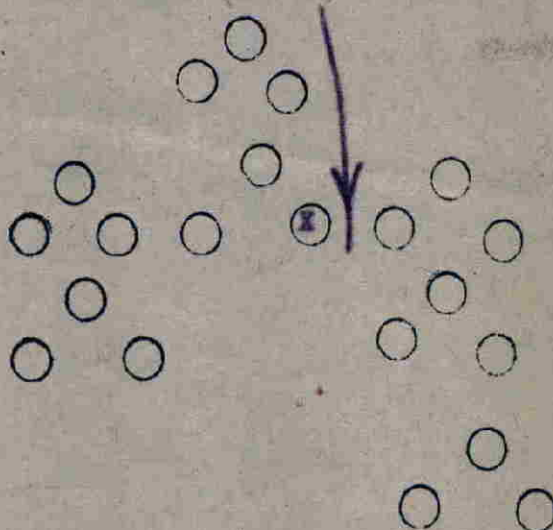
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GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 175 G DATE 28 May 1944

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE 5226 N - 1100 E HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1405Our Heading 130Type of E/A Me 109Clock Pos. 1230Attack Level Slightly high

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

This E/A was following the other E/A that is claimed. It had circled up for an attack behind the other E/A. These E/A were heading downward going underneath our A/C. I opened fire on this E/A at 800yds. giving him 3 series of bursts of about 25 to 30 rds. from each gun, from 330 o'clock position low. Then he immediately exploded. He looked like a large puff of flak.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. P.E. Hunter Position BTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. 32 ships in our formation may have been firing at this E/A

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

Board: DestroyedINTERROGATOR Lt. L.P. Sheets Time _____

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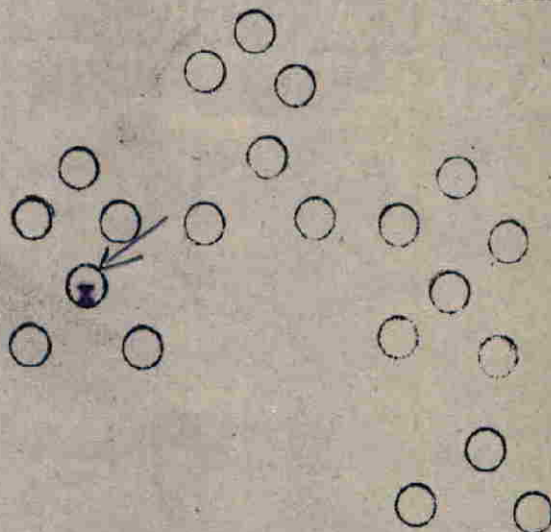
COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100 BSQN. 390A/C 695 GDATE 22/5/44

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE 5207N-1140EHEIGHT 24,800TIME 1400Our Reading 270 0Type of E/A ME 109Clock Pos. 1 o'clockAttack Level level

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Sgt. S. J. Good - Axis of most E/A was at 11 o'clock; just a second after the main attack I looked out at one o'clock; saw 2 ME 109's coming in that had just levelled off with our formation. I saw him at 1,000 yards and fired 2 short bursts, then he was about 800 yards away and I held a steady fire on him. The plane seemed to be vibrating like he was fighting to keep control. he began to smoke near the cockpit closeby the left wing. When he passed over me he was on fire.

Sgt. Troetschel. I heard TF call out fighter coming in. I looked out at 0830 o'clock and saw him explode, blowing into many pieces.

Sgt. Bayer, TO on Gibbons crew who was leading low sqdn in A/C 621 said he saw this c/a explode in one big burst. Comment of Lt. Sheets, Interrogator.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. Good Position TF

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None - 3 guns were out

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. P.K. Troetschel

A/C no. 695 Position in A/C IN

S/Sgt. R.A. Bayer

A/C No. 621 Position in A/C TO

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: Sqn was out at 2 o'clock; just at this time other guns were trained at 11 o'clock.

Board: Destroyed.

INTERROGATOR

Lt. L.W. Sheets.

Time _____

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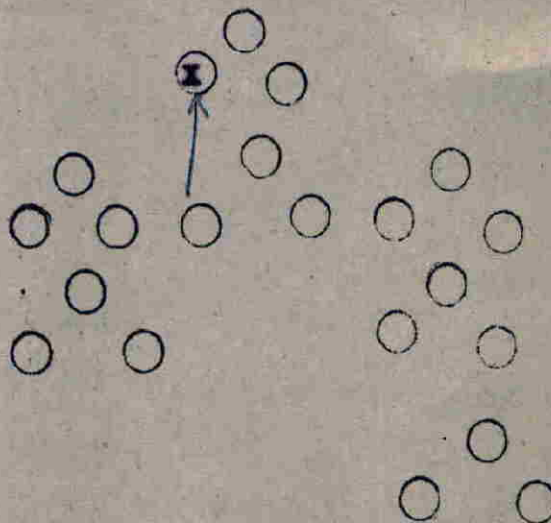
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COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100-A SQN. 349 A/C 347 G DATE 28 May 44WHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE Magdeburg HEIGHT 23,000 TIME 1412Our Heading 90°Type of E/A ME 109Clock Pos. 6 o'clockAttack Level level

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

3 ME 109's attacked tail position in stepped up formation. TG picked second plane and started firing at about 1000 yards distance. E/A kept straight on and TG kept firing-at about 400 yards, E/A pulled up and showed belly. TG kept firing and smoke started coming from E/A and he did a wing over and headed straight down, then seemed to level off. The smoke stopped but the pilot bailed out and when his parachute opened I saw that it was a brown colored one.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. M.F. Dottoviano Position TGOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. ?

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. H.L. Kiefer A/C No. 347 Position in A/C BTS/Sgt. G.H. Penman A/C No. 347 Position in A/C TT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: Destroyed.

INTERROGATOR P.F. Mackesey Time _____

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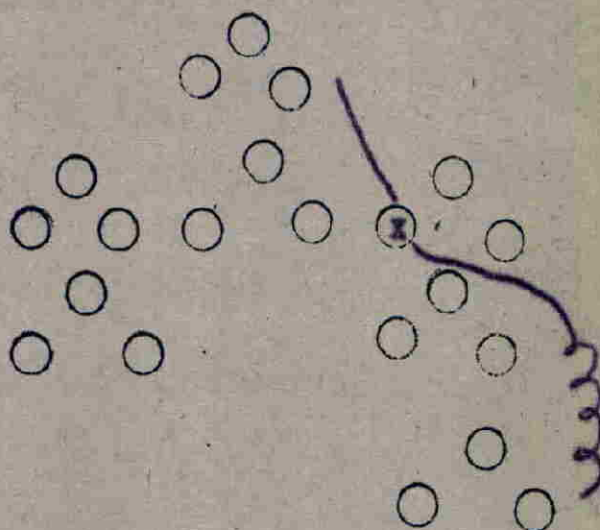
GROUP 100 SQN. 351 A/C 800 G DATE 28 May 1944

WHERE ATTACK

TACK PLACE 5211 N - 1200 E HEIGHT 25,400 TIME 1411

Our Heading	<u>70</u>
Type of E/A	<u>Me 109</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>1100</u>
Attack Level	<u>Low</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

9 Me 109's from previous attack came back and climbed up at 1100 o'clock high. While remaining in the 1100 o'clock position they spiraled down while coming in and when about 700 yds. out they turned in and came at us shooting upwards toward the group as they came and pressed their attack home passing through the formation. I picked out one of these ships and concentrated on it. (The same on that our bombardier was not also apparently shooting at). This ship came in low and made a power stall at about 300 yds. presenting an almost stationary target at which I shot from 150 to 200 rounds. The E/A had stalled to get into position to shoot at the formation and while he was still shooting he went into a level spiral towards 4 o'clock from 1100 o'clock and then into an uncontrolled spin straight down. Renewed attacks prevented further observation.

EVALUATED PROBABLE A-2 3rd B. D.
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Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. F.A. LeBelle Position BTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A Don't know

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. F.D. Chapin A/C No. 800 Position in A/C B

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

Board: Probable

INTERROGATOR Capt. M.B. Arick Time _____

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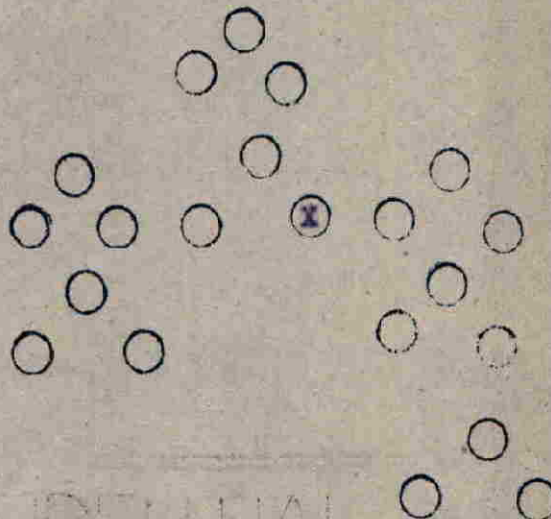
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COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 175 DATE 28 May 1944WHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE 5226 N - 1100 E HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1404Our Heading 130Type of E/A ME 109Came in at 12Clock Pos. passed TG going 6Attack Level Climbing up

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Sgt. Ruleng

This E/A had made a pass from 12 o'clock and passed underneath our formation. I heard attack being called off and saw direction of 20 mm bursts so I was ready for this E/A. I picked out 1 Me 109 at 200 yds. and fired on short burst and then held steady fire on it. Smoke began to come out out from his engine from the left hand side. E/A had started a climb then headed for 7 o'clock passing peeling off then headed straight down in a dive.

Sgt. Hunter

I saw him at 7 o'clock leaving a smoke trail and a yellow glow around his engine. He went in a straight dive out of sight.

EVALUATED

DAMAGED

A. 2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. H.E. Ruleng Position TGOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. P.E. HunterA/C No. 175Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____

Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____

Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: DamagedINTERROGATOR Lt. L.W. Sheets

Time _____

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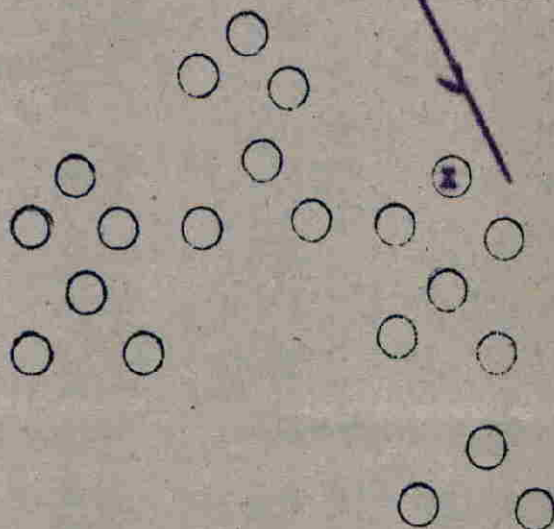
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COMBAT REPORT 34GROUP 100th SQN. 351st A/C 708 G DATE 28 May 1944WHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE 52°18'N - 11°20'E HEIGHT 25,300' TIME 1405

Our Heading	<u>128°</u>
Type of E/A	<u>100 100</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>1230 when hit</u>
Attack Level	<u>Level</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A coming in from 12 o'clock high. I fired and hit E/A when he was about 500 yards away at approximately 1230 o'clock. E/A went down at this time, in a tight spiral, smoking. These facts are verified by the Navigator — E/A hit in cooling but unable to follow him, except momentarily, because of other E/A.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: E/O D. L. White Position BombardierOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Unknown

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

<u>1st. O. E. Benita</u>	A/C No. <u>708</u>	Position in A/C <u>Nav.</u>
_____	A/C No. _____	Position in A/C _____
_____	A/C No. _____	Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No claim.

INTERROGATOR Capt. Walter R. Hutchinson Time _____

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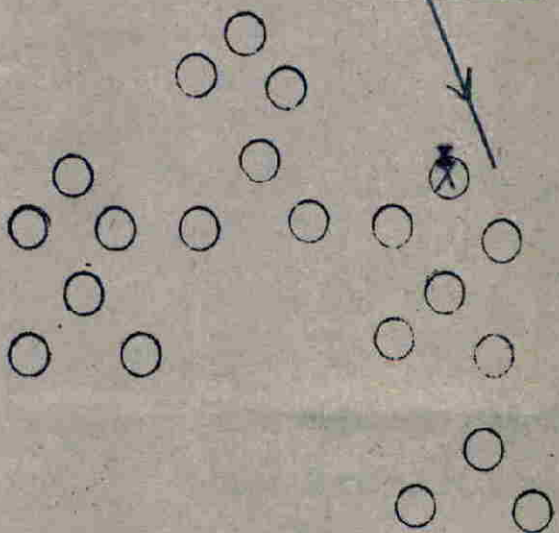
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GROUP 160th SQN. 351st A/C 708 G DATE 28 May 1944
WHERE ATTACK 52°18'N - 11°20'E 25,300' 1406
TOOK PLACE _____ HEIGHT _____ TIME _____

Our Heading 1230
Type of E/A ME 109
Clock Pos. 2 O'clock when hit
Attack Level Low

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A came in at 1100 to 1130 slightly high and passed in front and low at a 2 o'clock when it was hit. The E/A severely hit in cockpit and engine cowlings — started smoking and started down slightly, but lost sight of him after he had passed. I started firing when E/A was at 1130 o'clock.

BT & RW saw above hits on E/A which was between 500 and 550 yards away when hit; it was one of three E/A in the same immediate vicinity at the time.

EVALUATED
NO CLAIM
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. G.B. Benitz Position Nav.

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Unknown

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Sgt A. H. Smith 708 Position in A/C BT
Sgt E. L. Grimes 708 Position in A/C RW

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No Claim.

INTERROGATOR Capt. W.R. Hutchinson Time _____

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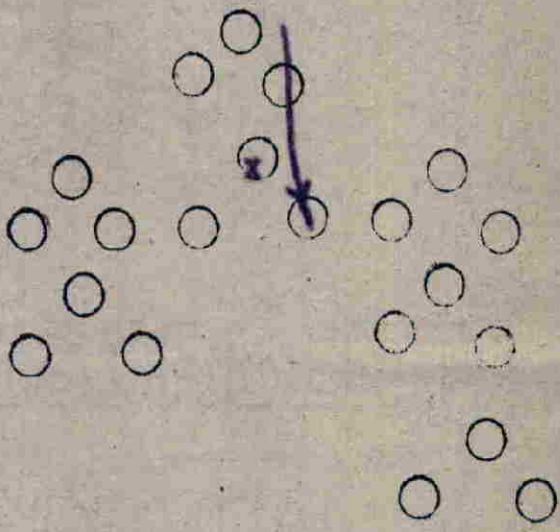
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GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 673 0 DATE 29 May 1944
WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE Target Area HEIGHT 25,000 TIME 1408

Our Heading 120
Type of E/A No 189
Clock Pos. 0430
Attack Level low

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A came in low from 1230 o'clock. I started tracking him as he cleared right wing. Fired 3 good bursts. Can hit him at 3 o'clock at about 400 yds. E/A Stalled, went into tight spin and went down. Followed 15,000 feet by co pilot, and then lost. Showed no sign of pulling out.

EVALUATED
NO CLAIM
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. H.F. Carter Position RM

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. Thornton Blyne A/C No. 673 Position in A/C RM
A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____
A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No claim

INTERROGATOR Capt. J.E. Dowers Time _____

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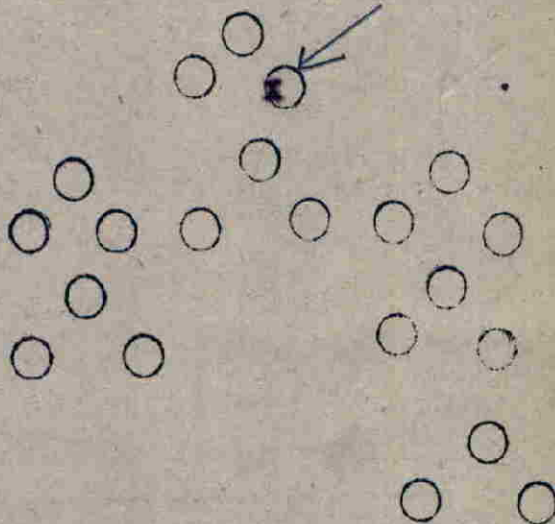
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G. SUP. 100 B SON. 418 A/C 895 G LAT 28 May 44

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE MagdeburgHEIGHT 25,000 ft. TIME 1409Our Heading 122°Type of E/A ME 109Clock Pos. 2 o'clockAttack Level level

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

2 ME 109's attacked low and level from 2 o'clock during main attack. McKenzie fired about 30 rounds. Crowley saw tracers go into E/A and it stopped and went down in a spin. Could not be observed to crash.

EVALUATED
NO CLAIM
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. T. A. McKusick Position BombOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NavigatorOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. J. J. Crowley A/C No. 895 Position in A/C WING CPP/O R. E. Battista A/C No. 895 Position in A/C NAV.

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No claimINTERROGATOR Capt. J. E. Moffett Time _____

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GROUP 100 B SQN. 418 A/C 895 G DATE 28 May 44
 WHERE ATTACK Magdeburg HEIGHT 25,000 TIME 1409
 TOOK PLACE

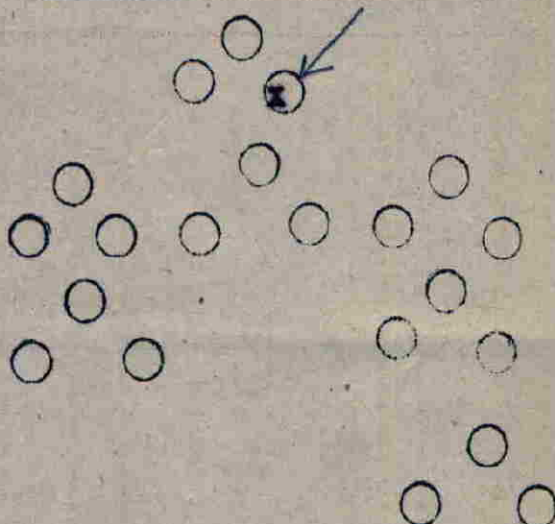
Our Heading 122°Type of E/A ME 109Clock Pos. 2 o'clockAttack Level level

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

2 ME 109's attacked low to level from 2 o'clock during main attack. Battista fired 30 rounds. Crowley saw tracers go into e/a and it stopped and went down in a spin. Could not be observed to crash.

EVALUATED
NO CLAIM
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: E/O R.E. Battista Position Nav.Other gun positions firing on the same E/A Lt. F.A. McKensieOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. No

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. T.J. Crowley A/C No. 895 Position in A/C OPLt. F.A. McKensie A/C No. 895 Position in A/C Bomb

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No claim

INTERROGATOR

Capt. M.B. Ariel Time _____

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GROUP 100 SQN 418 A/C 175 G DATE 28 May 1944

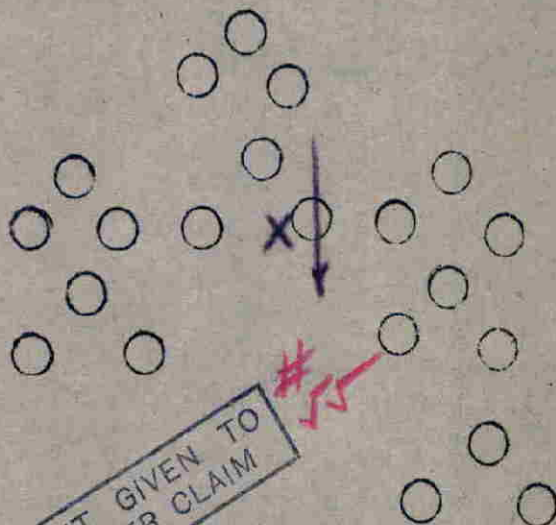
WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE 226 N - 1100 EHEIGHT 15,200TIME 1404

Our Heading <u>130</u>
Type of E/A <u>ME 109</u>
Clock Pos. <u>10 o'clock</u>
Attack Level <u>Slightly high</u>

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

This E/A came in on the left side just to the right of our A/C and he passed underneath high Sq. I saw him out at 3 o'clock and was firing at him when he was at about 430 o'clock. He was about 100 yds. away when I fired my first bursts. I fired about 50 rounds in 2 different bursts. He raised up, wobbled and went down in a dive as if he was out of control. Either he was out of control or trying to get out of my fire. I had 5 tracers in my guns at intervals which bracketed this E/A with 2 tracers glancing off the fuselage and wing. I am sure that he got a considerable amount of my fire.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage Sgt. W.B. Yates Position RDOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: DamagedINTERROGATOR Lt. L.A. Sheets Time _____

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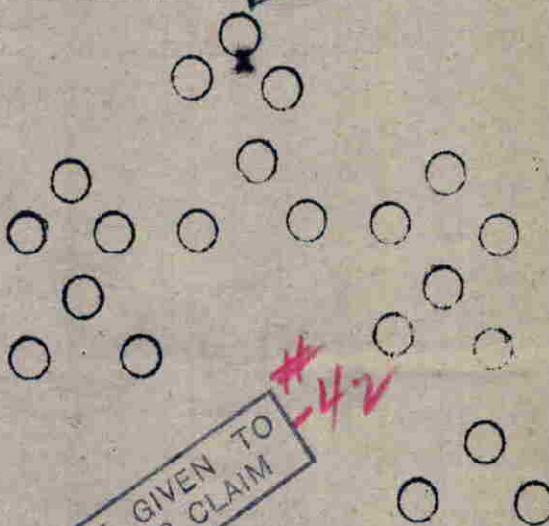
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GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 988 DATE 28/5/44
 WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE SE18N-1187N (Magdeburg) HEIGHT 20,200 ft. TIME 1408

Our Heading 180° Mag.
 Type of E/A FW 190
 Clock Pos. 1 o'clock
 Attack Level high & low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Three FW 190's came in at 1 o'clock low and I swung my turret around in time to open up at the first one at about 800 yards. Pieces started to fly off his wings then he passed by and I continued firing at the other two and later the tail and right waist gunners told me over the interphone that my first ship blew up. e/a blew up about 700 yards behind our plane after going into a spin.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Sgt. Carl Plathin Position BT

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. M. W. Hall A/C No. 988 Position in A/C TO

Sgt. J. H. Blume A/C No. 988 Position in A/C HW

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Boards Destroyed

INTERROGATOR F. E. Arick Time _____

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GHCUP 100 SON. 350 A/C 621 G DATE 28 May 1944WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE Just beyond Madsburg HEIGHT 25,000 TIME 1:18

Our Heading	<u>140</u>
Type of E/A	<u>FW 190</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>545 Low</u>
Attack Level	<u>Low</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

On the second attack four FW 190's passed at 7 o'clock low passing under second element of low sq. then coming up at 6 o'clock behind second element. I gave a short burst for fear of hitting the lead ship of element. I saw one FW 190 burst into flames along with the one I was tracking at 6 o'clock. This one then dropped down under lead ship of second element about 545 low at my range. I gave him one long burst. Saw smoke and he dropped under. Couldn't follow him so I then pointed to the other. Believe the FW 190 I saw first burst into flames while tracking mine was gotten by a gunner in the lead ship of second element.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. H.A. Beyer Position TGOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. 695 TT

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. M.J. Ettus A/C No. 621 Position in A/C RTT/Sgt. J.J. Good A/C No. 695 Position in A/C TT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No claim for this A/C ~~claim~~
although this corroborates claim of TT in A/C #695

INTERROGATOR LT. R. Wright Time _____

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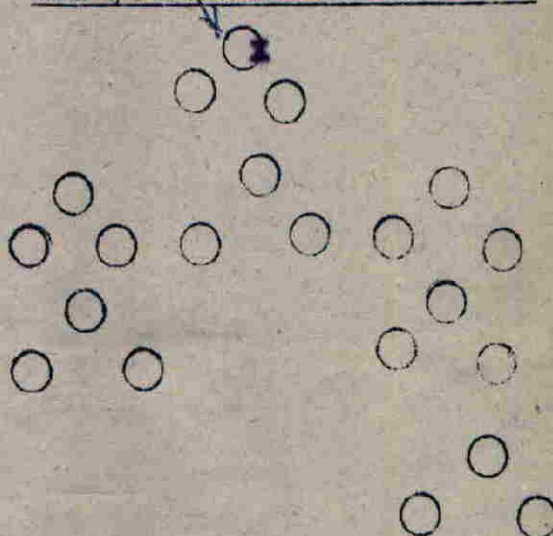
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GROUP 100 SQN. 413 A/C 986 DATE 28/5/44WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE 5211E-1140N HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1400

Our Heading 1300
 Type of E/A FW 190
 Clock Pos. 11 o'clock
 Attack Level level

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

3 FW 190's started attack at 11 o'clock level. I started firing at 1200 yards at the leader and at 800 yards he started to break up. The rest of his formation peeled off to the right and as he went under us the BTG saw the e/a begin to break up completely and the pilot bailed out.

EVALUATED
 DESTROYED
 A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: LT. J.E. Diesel Position BombOther gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. J. Rybak A/C No. 986 Position in A/C INS/Sgt. C.E. Platten A/C No. 986 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: Destroyed.INTERROGATOR M.B. Arick Time _____

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GROUP 100 SQN. 418 G A/C 011-5 DATE 28 May 1944

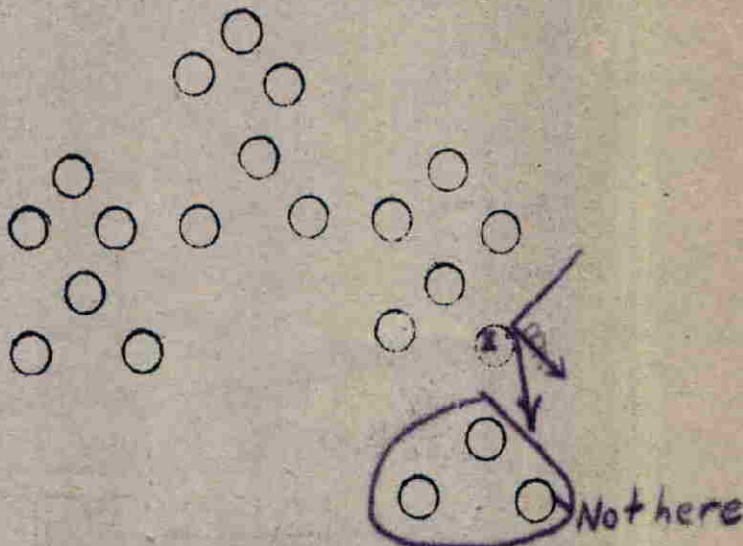
WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE Over target HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1405

Our Heading 120
 Type of E/A FW 190
 Clock Pos. 1 o'clock
 Attack Level Level to low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:**Lt. W.M. Fickett**

I started firing at E/A at 500 yds. Gave him 2 bursts and he started smoking from engine.

S/Sgt. L.E. Nord

I saw pilot bail out at as A/C passed tail. But did not see chute open.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
 A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. W.M. Fickett Position NOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Unknown

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. L.E. Nord A/C No. 011 Position in A/C FG

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: DestroyedINTERROGATOR Capt. E. E. Callinan Time _____

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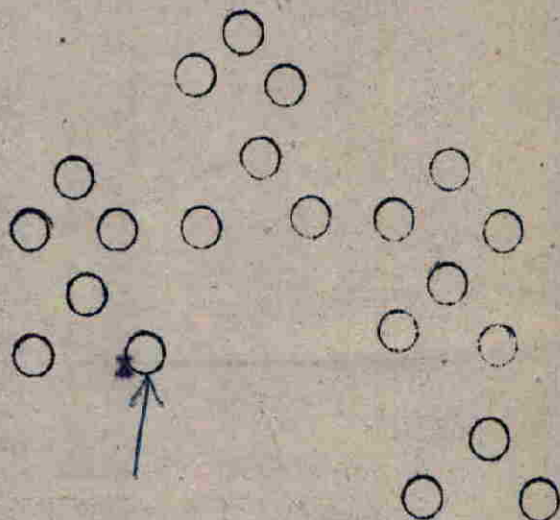
GROUP 100th Sqn. 418 A/C 154 G DATE 5/28/44

WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE Target HEIGHT 25,000 ft. TIME 1408

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

Our Heading 90°
Type of E/A FW 190
Clock Pos. 8 o'clock
Attack Level high

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

One FW 190 came from 12 o'clock high and came over our tail. Just previous to this there was a barrage of 20 mm shell right behind me so I waited for the e/a. I shot right back at him while he pulled away high and then peeled off to his left and went into a dive. I saw several fairly large pieces fall off plane as he went down. I didn't see what happened to him after that. The BTG saw the pilot bail out and his chute open. This happened just as the BTG started to fire but as he saw the chute he held his fire.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damaged Sgt. J. M. Thompson Position gun

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. 2nd element of high sqdn. could have been in position to fire.

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Sgt. Robert E. Pryor A/C No. 154 Position in A/C BT

Lt. Joseph S. Farrell A/C No. 154 Position in A/C O.P.

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: Destroyed

INTERROGATOR J. D. Shirley Time _____

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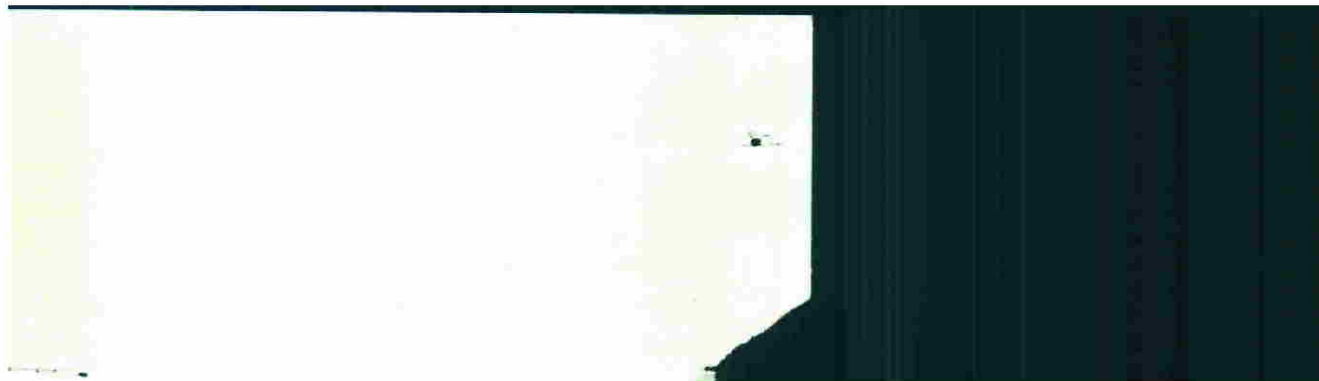
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Helix A/C was
flying Right Wing.
Bombardier stated
flames were enveloping
the wing and cockpit
of the E/A.
Note that Label was
flying A/C 256 and the
corroborating witnesses
were flying A/C 066
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ship of 2nd Element.

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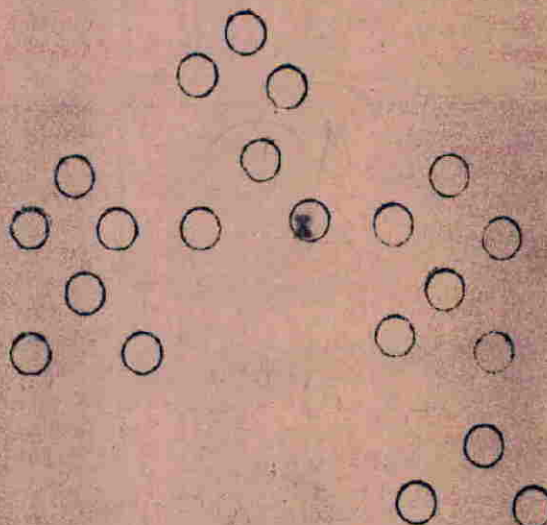
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GROUP 100th SQN. 351st A/C 256 DATE May 28, 1944WHERE ATTACK MACHENBURG
TOOK PLACEHEIGHT 20,000 TIME 1421Our Heading 165Type of E/A FW-190Clock Pos. 9-12Attack Level LOW

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

15 E/A were out at nine o'clock. 2 E/A peeled off under the formation and ended up at 12 o'clock. The 2 E/A were echeloned up and back. I started to fire on the lead E/A and had plenty of time to track him as he traveled around to 11:30 o'clock. At 1100 yards out I started tracking him under the formation and at 700 yards out I gave him two to three long bursts. The E/A was smoking badly from the cockpit. The E/A then looked as if it were to pull up to point his nose up to fire but he pulled nose down after the long bursts into a dive. Could see the antiskis on top of both wings.

ANOTHER ATTACK WAS CALLED so I (checked my logbook/remembered by someone SHIP OF THE SECOND ELEMENT) The Bombardier and the Right Waist Gunner of the LEAD SHIP OF THE SECOND ELEMENT saw parts of the tail assembly fall off in pieces both verify this claim.

and state that the plane was smoking badly from the cockpit and tail.

EVALUATED
PROBABLE
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: THOMAS, L. S/1st Position BT

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

WINTER, George A. LTA/C No. 066Position in A/C BWINTER, Charles E. S/1stA/C No. 066Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____

Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

INTERROGATOR

JAMES E. BOWERS, CAPT A.C.

Time _____

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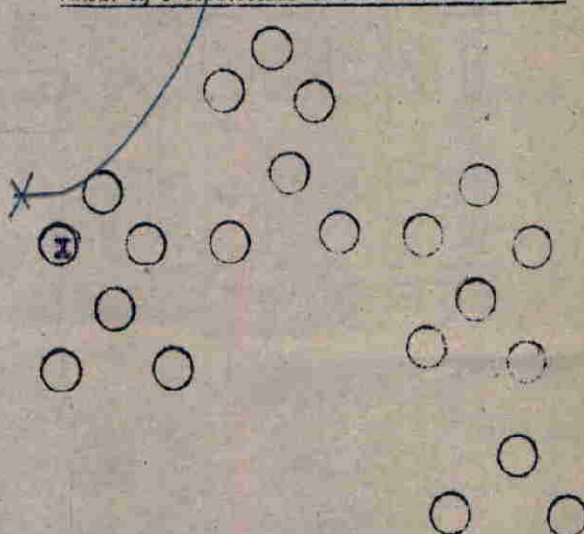
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GROUP 100 SQN. 350 A/C 611 G DATE 28 May 44WHERE ATTACK Magdeburg HEIGHT 24,000 TIME 1408

Our Heading 120°
 Type of E/A FW 190
 Clock Pos. 11 o'clock
 Attack Level Level

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Formation of 15 to 20 FW 190's came in from 11 o'clock low, firing at lead squadron then raking high squadron. One FW 190 came up fast, making right hand chandelle; and as this FW 190 was coming up with the attack, Bombardier started firing at it at 5 to 600 yards distance. He continued firing while FW 190 was climbing until it reached position of 11 o'clock level (700 yards distance). Smoke started coming out at 1 o'clock slightly low and at 11 o'clock level (400 yards away) the FW 190 peeled off and went into a dive with smoke pouring from him. Canopy of this e/a came off or was jettisoned while the e/a was on its back approximately 1000 feet below us.

A/C 611 moved from # 6 position to no. 3 position in squadron over target area.

EVALUATED
 DAMAGED
 A. 2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Sgt. C.H. Thompson Position Bombardier

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Not known

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. E.E. Kenna A/C No. 611 Position in A/C 1

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: Damaged.

INTERROGATOR Capt. E.L. Johnson Time _____

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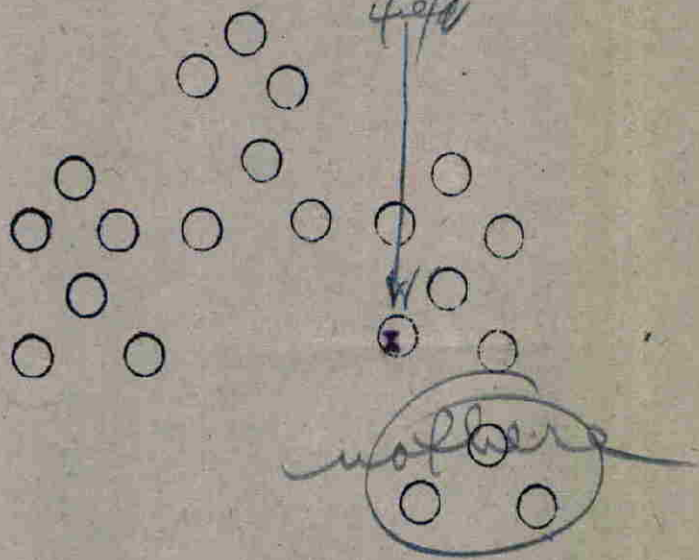
GROUP 1009 SQN. 416 A/C 7090 B DATE 28 May 44

WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE Target Area HEIGHT 24,900 ft. FILE 1416

Our Heading 180°
Type of E/A 2 PW 180
Clock Pos. 12 to 6 o'clock
Attack Level low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

TC - 4 E/A came in from 12 o'clock low and passed beneath our formation. I shot at all four because attack had been reported. One E/A burst into flames from cockpit area after I had given him a short burst. I could not watch this e/a further due to the other attacking e/a. I began firing at another e/a which nosed up after the other fell away and he broke down with lots of smoke coming from him. I couldn't follow him down either due to further attacks.

①
EVALUATED
DAMAGED
A. 2 3rd B. D.

②
EVALUATED
DAMAGED
A. 2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. D.W. Harris Position pg

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A None

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Unknown

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

T/Sgt. W.R. Hellen A/C No. 7090 Position in A/C TT
____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____
____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: Two damaged.

INTERROGATOR Capt. P.C. Callinan Time _____

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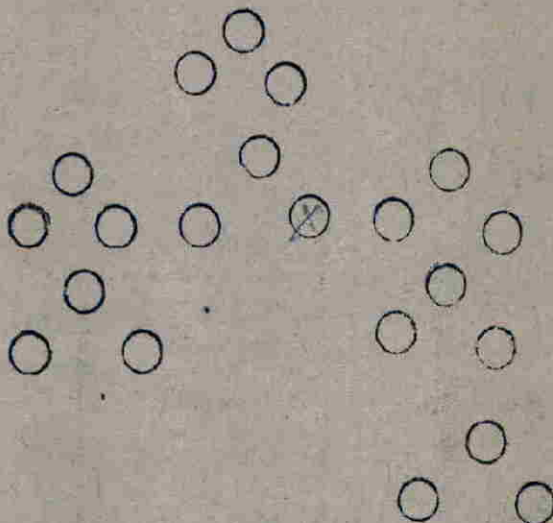
GROUP 100 SQN. 351 A/C 256 G DATE 28 May 1944

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE Magdeburg HEIGHT 20,000 Ft. TIME 1421

Our Heading	<u>165</u>
Type of E/A	<u>BT 190</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>12</u>
Attack Level	<u>Low</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

2 E/A attacking - one way behind other from 9 o'clock to 12 o'clock low. I fired on lead ship at 600 yds. and it started smoking. When IT saw tracers in the vicinity it was smoking badly - more than the usual smoke around the engine - then he peeled down. Pilot saw bursts at first high over tail, another appeared through fuselage. Tracers seem to slant off tail assembly - also saw ship peel off smoking badly out of vision of Pilot.

EVALUATED
DAMAGED
A - 2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. F.L. Gato Position B

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Rogers, E.C., Sgt. A/C No. 256 Position in A/C TTRake, G.W. Lt. A/C No. 256 Position in A/C P

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board - Damaged

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INTERROGATOR Capt. J.E. Bowers Time _____

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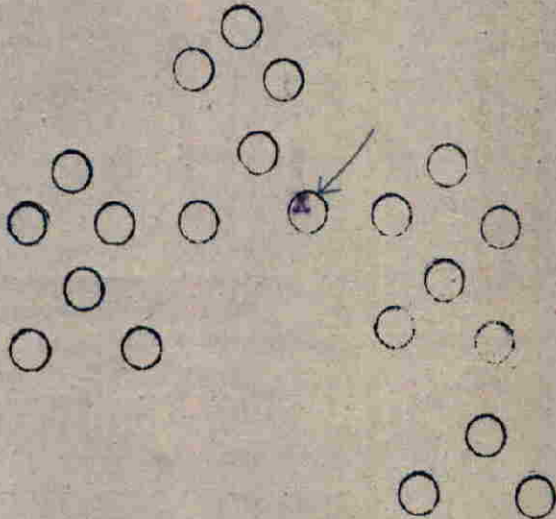
GROUP 1008 SQN. 351 A/C 256 G DATE 28 May 1944

WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE Magdeburg HEIGHT 20,000 TIME 1421

Our Heading 165
Type of E/A FW 190
Clock Pos. 2 o'clock
Attack Level level

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

2 E/A started in at one o'clock. They came into 600 yds. and turned to 2 o'clock level. ~~namings~~ I was firing at one on right. Then smoke was seen coming from wings and then both peeled off. Tracers were seen in vicinity of ship by CP. CP saw explosion some place on the ship and saw both E/A peel off.

EVALUATED
DAMAGED
A. 2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. R.L. Misher Position N

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. A.J. Burkhardt A/C No. 256 Position in A/C CP

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: Damaged

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INTERROGATOR Capt. J.E. Bowers Time _____

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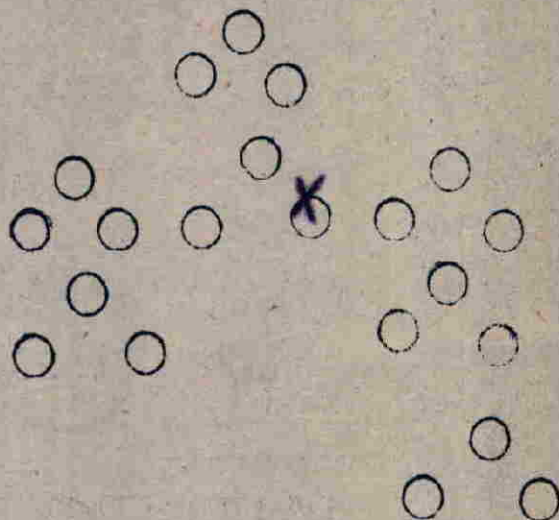
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COMBAT REPORT

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 175 G DATE 28 May 1944WHERE ATTACK 5226 N - 1100 E HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1404
TOOK PLACE

Our Heading	<u>130</u>
Type of E/A	<u>FW 190</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>1230</u>
Attack Level	<u>Low</u>

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

T/Sgt. J.T. Pyles

Under the 1st wave I picked out 1 E/A and concentrated my fire on it. It was a yellow nosed FW. I started firing when he was 500 yds. away and held steady in a tight spin fire until he was at 200 yds. He went in a tight spin as if he was out of control. It seemed as if the pilot was hit. He was almost hit going down by other E/A.

Lt. D. Shoss

I saw this ship go into this spin out of control and he kept on going down spinning.

EVALUATED
NO CLAIM
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: T/Sgt. J.T. Pyles Position BOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. D. Shoss A/C no. 175 Position in A/C H
____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____
____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: DamagedINTERROGATOR Lt. L.W. Sheets Time _____

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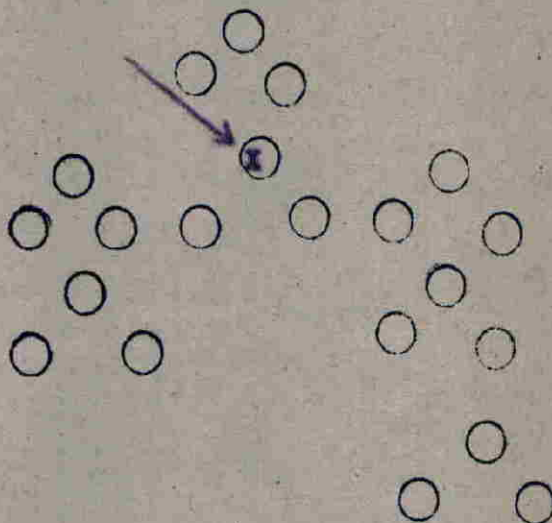
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GROUP 100 SQN. 351 A/C 018 6 DATE 28 May 1944

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE Target Area HEIGHT 23,000 TIME 1404Our Heading 126Type of E/A FW 190Clock Pos. 1000Attack Level Level to low

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION



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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:**Lt. R.T. High**

E/A came in around 10 o'clock level to low. Seemed to be quite a distance when I opened fire and he kept coming to 400 yds. He turned toward one o'clock and looked like he ~~was~~ rolled over and was smoking.

Lt. C.W. Mylius

The same as above and I saw him start down in a dive.

S/Sgt. C.E. Brown

I saw him go into a spin and I watched him and it seemed a good target

EVALUATED
NO CLAIM
A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. R.T. High Position BOther gun positions firing on the same E/A NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. Maybe lead element

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Lt. C.W. Mylius A/C No. 018 Position in A/C PS/Sgt. C.E. Brown A/C No. 018 Position in A/C BT

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: No claimINTERROGATOR Lt. J. Bauman Time _____

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COMBAT REPORT

4 BT A-2, 6(1-8-43)

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 /C 154 DATE 5/28/44

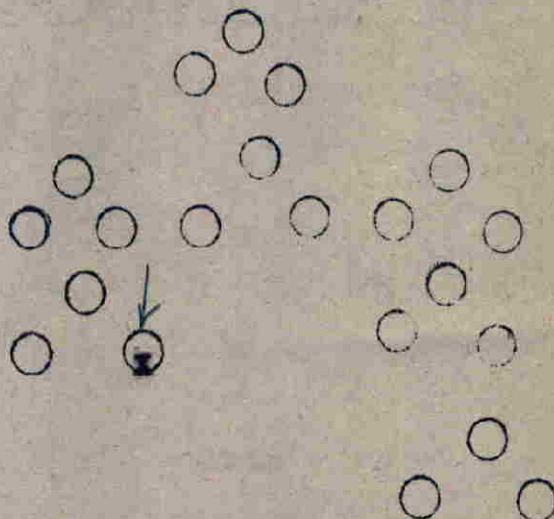
WHERE ATTACK

TACK PLACE Magdeburg HEIGHT 25,000 TIME 1400

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

Our Heading	<u>000</u>
Type of E/A	<u>FW 190</u>
Clock Pos.	<u>1200</u>
Attack Level	<u>low</u>

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

FW 190 came in low from 12 o'clock then broke off slightly to his left(our right) and low. Lt. Cherry kept firing (tracking) until about even with our ship and then BTG saw FW 190 go down in dive and he also saw it hit the ground and it blew up. He didn't see chute but BTG is positive plane blew up.

EVALUATED
 NO CLAIM
 A-2 3rd B.D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. R. Cherry Position BombardierOther gun positions firing on the same E/A Ball turretOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

Sgt. R.G. Pryor A/C No. 154 Position in A/C BTG

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Lt. Cherry wouldn't report it so Lt. Rice gave complete story aided by BTG Pryor.Board: No claim.INTERROGATOR James D. Shirley Time _____

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COMBAT REPORT

4 B-2, 6(1-8-43)

GROUP 1000 SQN. 410 A/C 0900 DATE 28 May 1944.

WHERE ATTACK

TOOK PLACE Target Area HEIGHT 24,000 ft. TIME 1403

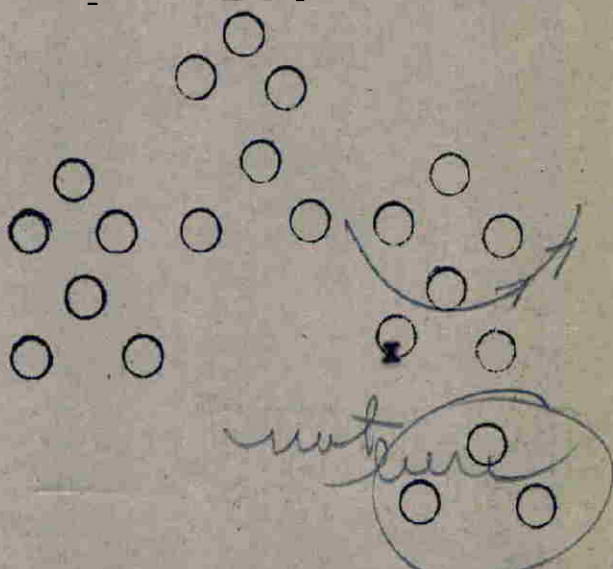
MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

Our Heading 155°Type of E/A ME-109Clock Pos. 11 to 3Attack Level Low

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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A wasn't attacking. It passed under our Group from 11 to 3 o'clock. I picked him up and started firing at 400 yards at 3 o'clock. I fired one long burst at him at that time, of 25 rounds. I didn't observe results because I immediately got busy elsewhere.

E/W Gunner - I saw above e/a at 500 yards but didn't shoot because his left wing was completely enveloped in flame.

Navigator - I saw e/a flip over on its back about 500 yards to our left with right wing on fire - it might have been above e/a.

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EVALUATED
DESTROYED
A-2 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: S/Sgt. G.E. Symington Position BTOther gun positions firing on the same E/A: NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. C.C. Dobbins A/C No. 7090 Position in A/C EWLt. R.H. Barry A/C No. 7090 Position in A/C Nav.

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Heard; Destroyed.INTERROGATOR Capt. F.E. Callinan Time 1940

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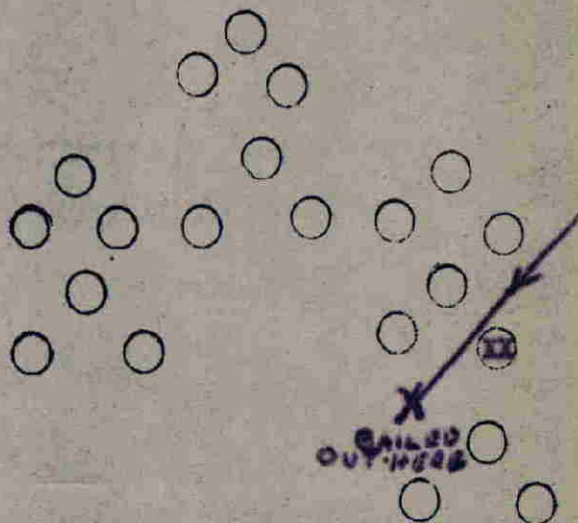
4 BN A-2. 6(1-8-43)

GROUP 100 SQN. 418 A/C 011 G DATE 28 May 1944WHERE ATTACK TOOK PLACE Target Area HEIGHT 25,200 TIME 1403

Our Heading 120
 Type of E/A Me 109
 Clock Pos. 1 o'clock
 Attack Level Low

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MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

E/A was attacking our element lead. I started firing at him at 800 yds. I gave him 4 to 5 short bursts before he got out of range. Pilot bailed out under our left wing tip and E/A went down with flames coming from engine.

Pilot - Saw enemy pilot bail out. This E/A knocked out our A/C #389 here.

EVALUATED
DESTROYED
 A-2. 3rd B. D.

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: Lt. V.O. Breagoule Position BOther gun positions firing on the same E/A: NoneOther A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. None

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

S/Sgt. W.V. Goos A/C No. 011 Position in A/C LTLt. B. Williams A/C No. 011 Position in A/C P

A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

Board: DestroyedINTERROGATOR Capt. F.E. Callinan Time _____

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LEAD CREW INTERROGATION REPORT (1):Init:

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:Date:

Actg Comd.Pilot

Pilot:

Target:

Date:

1. Aircraft No. 705 (PFF) GROUP Wing 390th

- (a) Communications

- (b) Failure of Aircraft or Accessories

- (c) Remarks:

2. Assembly and Control Points: (3)

- (a) Group Assembly:

- (c) Combat Wing Assembly:

- (d) Division Assembly

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5. Remarks on tactics employed: *Good formation*

4. Abortions after leaving dispatch point: *Good*

(f) Enroute Out: *Good*

3. Formation (4) (a) On leaving English Coast
Good formation, but high stringency
 (b) Crossing enemy coast: *Good formation, but high stringency*
 (c) To I.P.
 (d) On Bomb Run
 (e) Immediately after R.P.

(f) Control Points Out: *Good formation, but high stringency*

(e) I.P.-Bomb Run - R.P.: *Good formation, but high stringency*

(d) Control Points: *Good formation, but high stringency*

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HEADQUARTERS 100 BOMB GROUP (H):SECRET :
:Auth: :
:Init: :
:Date: :

LEAD CREW INTERROGATION REPORT (1)

Actg Comd. Pilot Maj. S. H. Ruler

MADEBORG

Pilot: Lt. F. J. HarrisTarget: MADEBORGDate: 28 May, 19441. Aircraft No. 1986 (PTF) GROUP 100th(a) Communications Excellent - on brief
no trouble(b) Failure of Aircraft or Accessories See equipment
burned out just after we landed and
on route in.(c) Remarks: None

2. Assembly and Control Points: (3)

(a) Group Assembly: Excellent - on time(c) Combat Wing Assembly: Good - 15-20 min. before
scheduled time(d) Division Assembly: Don't know

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5. Remarks on tactics employed: *Remarks on tactics employed: 1. 1st 1/2 of run.*

4. Abortions after leaving dispatch point: *1st 1/2 of run - 1st 1/2 of run.*

(f) Enroute Out: *1st 1/2 of run*

3. Formation (4) (a) On leaving English Coast - *1st 1/2 of run*

(b) Crossing enemy coast: *1st 1/2 of run*

(c) To I.P. *1st 1/2 of run*

(d) On Bomb Run *1st 1/2 of run*

(e) Immediately after R.P. *1st 1/2 of run*

(f) Control Points Out: *1st 1/2 of run*

(e) I.P.-Bomb Run - R.P.: *1st 1/2 of run*

(d) Control Points: *1st 1/2 of run*

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HEADQUARTERS _____ BOMB GROUP (H)

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 :Date: :

LEAD CREW INTERROGATION REPORT (1)Actg Comd. Pilot MAJ M. C. FULLERPilot: LT. J. F. HARRIS

Target: _____

Date: _____

1. Aircraft No. 6986 (PFF) GROUP _____(a) Communications OK(b) Failure of Aircraft or Accessories None(c) Remarks: None

2. Assembly and Control Points: (3)

(a) Group Assembly: On time Assembly O.K.(c) Combat Wing Assembly: On time, exactly(d) Division Assembly: On time. Some interference from 1st Division, which must have been late

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not too good due to enemy action on lead

5. Remarks on tactics employed: Assembly at early point

leaving English Coast

4. Abortions after leaving dispatch point: None after

(f) Enroute Out: Very good

Good

(e) Immediately after R.P.

Good

(d) On Bomb Run

Good

(c) To I.P.

coast: Fair

(b) Crossing enemy

3. Formation (4) (a) On leaving English Coast

Fair

was listed above (#4 & #5)

(f) Control Points Out: On course on all points, times

group! fighters attacked on Bomb run!

& got corners; had some trouble in determining lead

(e) I.P.-Bomb Run - R.P.: Lead group found before IP

#3. 4 min late; #4 1 min late; #5 7 min early

(d) Control Points: #1 1 min late; #2 5 min late

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INTERROGATION FORM

ALLEN 18K

GROUP 100 SQD 349 X/C NO 393 LTR BOMB LOAD 38x100 GP DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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A diagram of a rectangular field with 'X' marks representing trees. The trees are distributed as follows: a cluster of four trees in the top center (one circled), a single tree to the left of the cluster, a single tree below the cluster, a single tree to the right of the cluster, a single tree in the middle left, a single tree in the middle right, a single tree in the bottom left, a single tree in the bottom middle, and a single tree in the bottom right.

Lt. G. S. Allen P T/Sgt. W. M. Oberman TT

Lt. O. H. Symer CP S/Sgt. R. L. Bessey BT

Lt. J. T. Johnston N Sgt. R. A. Matz RW

Lt. W. A. Stewart B S/Sgt. J. P. Wargo LW

T/Sgt. R. A. Monroe RAD S/Sgt. L. E. Jackson TG

Rank	Name	Status
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Casualties

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

Time 1447

No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Yours:

Place **GERA**

On target 78 X 100

Azt. 19000

Jettisoned

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Br't Back

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Yours:
dropped on Good
sgd. ship - believe
a little short of
other
town - same from
other sgd. hit
into town.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time _____ T. Opp. _____ Time _____
Place _____ Jett. _____ Place _____
Alt. _____ Br't back _____ Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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Tactics:

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2nd Attack - Place	Time	Duration	Alt
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Tactics:

now

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

01517 at pressure not by pressure -
no other observations

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Yudzhinsky sawed with
 smoke - Secondary had smoke screen
 & fighters - We landed T/opp.

at Kunkink - at A/F W/SW of town -
 saw large concrete installation with guns -
 at least 5 or 6 guns - no activity at
A/F.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

None

FIGHTER SUI-FORT

OK

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

H. R. 5-17

Observations • Crew # 39 - ship 393
 navigator Lt. Johnston
 At 5237-0437 - harbor balloons -

at North edge. "Ij munder" saw
 6 or 7 (BB).

at West of "AIKMAAR" 4 7 miles
 east of "AIKMAAR" - saw (BB).

~~At 5736-0710E~~ In woods West of
 Balum (5736-0711E) saw new buildings
 looking like large museum hut - 7 or 8 -
 also smaller buildings - fresh construction.

Marshalling yards at "Bad Naukeir"
 and "FRIEDBURG" are packed with
 stock - should be hit. Also at
 "Linsburg". Also saw flock of trucks.

at "Coblenz"
~~Trachholt~~ saw 2 very large
 inland boats - appeared similar to
 destroyers - 12 boats small.

Large store of what appeared to be tile
 and bldg. materials seen at east edge of
 wooded area S/E of Brussels.

Our Finding _____

Type of E/A _____

Clock Pos. _____

Attack Level _____

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CONTINUE STORY OF IT, IF OK:

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A: _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator:

INTERROGATOR _____

Time _____

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INTERROGATION FORM

BETHA

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 1090 LTR BOMB LOAD 18 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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<u>Lt. H. E. Bethea</u>	P	<u>T/Sgt. W. R. Hellen</u>	TT
<u>Lt. L. E. Coleman</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. G. E. Symington</u>	BT
<u>Lt. R. W. Barry</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. C. C. Dobbins</u>	RW
<u>Lt. G. L. Reid</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. E. A. Skapin</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. R. A. Vance</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. D. W. Harris</u>	TG

	Rank	Name	Status
Casualties		NONE	

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

No., Size & Type		Results Observed
Time <u>1408</u>		Yours:
Place <u>PT</u>	On target <u>10 X 500 Lp</u>	<i>Unobserved - got sunk by fighters & too busy to look</i>
Alt <u>25,300'</u>	Jettisoned _____	
<u>1360</u>	Br't Back _____	
		Other _____

Weather as it affected the Mission:

CAVU - slight haze at times but didn't affect mission.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition		Reason
Time _____	T. Opp. _____	Time _____
Place _____	Jett. _____	Place _____
Alt. _____	Br't back _____	Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Tangier area Time 1406 Duration 2 1/2 min. Alt 20,600'

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Tactics:

Tactics:

No. 2 - 1st Wave - 20 ME 109's - brown nose, red marked fuselage & blue tail.

" - 2nd " - 50 FW 190's

200th - 3rd " - 50 FW 190's (came in from above & dived under & up.)

Tail - 4th " - 50 FW 190's - assembly of either 2nd or 3rd wave.

attacks were in formation line abreast (20 in 1st, 50 in 2nd etc.).

" were level & passed thru formation.

2nd Attack - Place	Time	Duration	Alt
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Tactics:

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

④ 2 B-17 down at 1415 hrs. —
3 attack by E/A. They were low
to our right. Heading 130°.

Cockpit — peeled off — then 5 chutes
and out of control — believe #389
our hp.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

- ① Concentration of barges at 5818-0737.
② Smoke screens over:
Leipzig, Chemnitz, Dresden, Magdeburg, Mockern,
and Altenburg.
Except at PT, screens were very effective — couldn't
pin-point location of generators.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

① all crew want PT, service club, barber shop &
other facilities to stay open so they can use them.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good — as Briefed

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A). NONE

INTERROGATORS NAME

RB

3. ...
 5. ...
 P.T. ...

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW -

57-563-1145- ...
 Also ...

CREW SUGGESTIONS -

CREW: Today for 32 ...
 find out ...

FIGHTER SUPPORT -

No ...
 THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

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4 BY A-2. 6(1-8-43)

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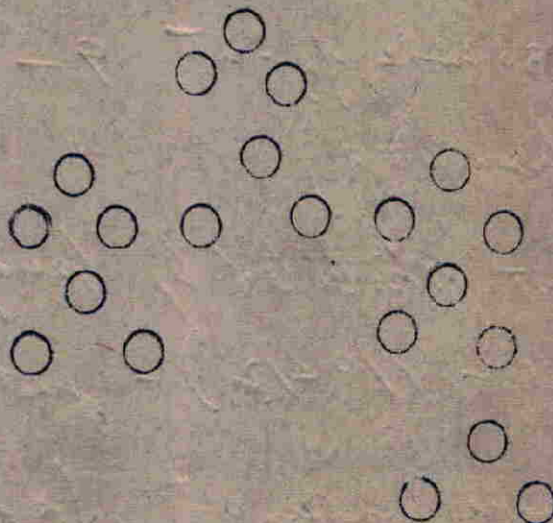
GROUP _____ SQN. _____ A/C _____ DATE _____

WHERE ATTACK
TOOK PLACE _____ HEIGHT _____ TIME _____

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

Our Heading _____
Type of E/A _____
Clock Pos. _____
Attack Level _____

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE



COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

INTERROGATOR _____ Time _____

If formation varied widely from standard, show by diagram on back of this sheet.
In reproducing this form, no changes will be made.

S-2 29/15-8-43

25-30 mile off - at 9-10 o'clock - (probably
at Chemnitz)

Plant protected by large balloons - at
($50^{\circ}31' - 11^{\circ}42'$) - just at head of reservoir

D - Smoke screen at Jena - ($50^{\circ}56' - 11^{\circ}35'$)

other 12-17 off to the right 11 3 engine
 smoking - wing on fire - broke off in spin -
 2 at 1518 [5025-0940] B-17 at 11 o'clock
 low, circling - losing alt - wing on fire &
 #3 engine - fire would flare up then die down.
 3 chute out -

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

- 1 B-17 fire wing to our left - on fire - level
 for 30 sec - disintegrated in mid-air at 1425.
 at approx [5150-1300] 2 chutes
- 2 2 boats seen at ZUIDER ZEE at 29 mi
 1/2 inch long. not moving
- 3 at 1300 [5237-0547] 4 Boats seen in plane
 large, long narrow -
- 4 2 small boats going into Koblenz at 1545

CREW SUGGESTIONS

No ground in flying over astern - (CP)

FIGHTER SUPPORT

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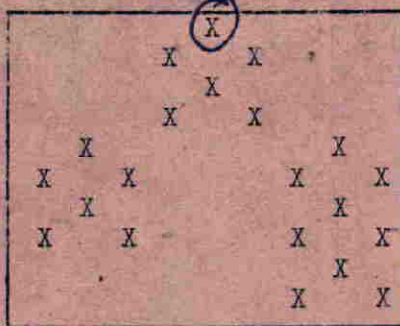
INTERROGATORS NAME

INTERROGATION FORM

HARRIS

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 986 LTR BOMB LOAD -10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank	Name	Rank	Name
Maj. M. C. Fuller	Cm.P		
Lt. C. E. Harris	P	T/Sgt. N. Howden	TT
Lt. M. W. Hall	CP	S/Sgt. C. K. Platkin	BT
Lt. L. W. Coartney	N	S/Sgt. J. H. Blume	RW
Lt. J. F. Dimel	B	S/Sgt. J. Rybak	LW
T/Sgt. L. B. Gaard	RAD	T/Sgt. A. B. Tinnell	TG

	Rank	Name	Status
Casualties		<i>None</i>	

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 14:08

No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Yours:

Place PT

On target 10x-500

Alt 25200

Jettisoned

130° m.

Br't Back

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Visibility 5 miles - 1-3/10 under-
cast on way in - CAVU on way
out. G/O near Nannon. Brunswick.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time

T. OED.

Time _____

[illegible]

Jett.

Place T

Alt. _____

Br!t back

Alt. 7

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place 82-171133 Time 1406 Duration 10 sec Alt 25200

No. 75

type FW 190

Weapons 20 m m

Tactics:

Tactics:
E/A gauged up out in front of group in maximum.
Came in at 12 o'clock high and dense beneath -
They came in a mass in very particular formation.

2nd Attack - Place Magdeburg Time 1408 Duration 15 sec Alt 20500

No. 4

type *Fw 190*

Stam. Length 20 mm

Tactics:

Tactics:
This attack was made from 2 o'clock low by a new bunch who made pass just as boats were released. - Came in low and passed under high sq. Attack was pressed home.

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

3 minutes after Sunk away - 3rd attack by 9 FW
190 in 3 Vlers in tandem who came in at 11 o'clock slightly
high attack was broken off at 800 yds when leaden hit

one 15-11 with explosion in fire was arching over
 Sherringerwald mts. near 50 30 - 10 40 E - alt 20000
 Time 15:30 - No chutes.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Lots of large traffic in Rhine river between
 Bonn and Frankfurt.

Lots of large balloons around lake
 at Saalburg ~~west~~ 50°30'N 11°42'E.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

none

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good up to IP - no support in land run - Saw
 fighters again about 30 min after land away.

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INTERROGATORS NAME

MBA

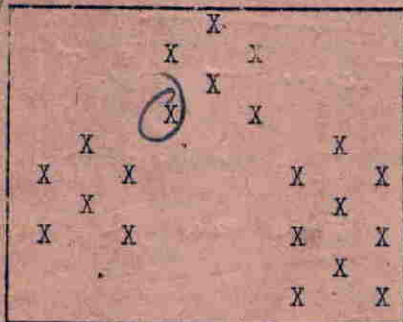
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INTERROGATION FORM

LISCHER

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 087 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank Name Rank Name

Lt. R. F. Lischer P T/Sgt. G. Williamson TT
Lt. U. O. Cook CP S/Sgt. R. N. Mathiasen BT
Lt. M. A. Stockton N S/Sgt. W. J. Smith RW
Lt. H. B. Williams B S/Sgt. P. H. Sweitzer LW
T/Sgt. J. Martinkovich RAD S/Sgt. A. M. Trigg TG

Rank Name Status

Casualties

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (T), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1409 No., Size & Type
Place Target On target 10 x 500
Alt 25000' Jettisoned
Br't Back

Results Observed
Yours:

100th Bomb. hit
about 1/2 mile S.W. of
target.
Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition Reason
Time T.Opp. Time
Place Jett. Place
Alt. Br't back Alt.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place 1000 Time 1030 Duration One pass Alt 20000
No. 100 type Fw 190s - Me 109s - Me 410s Weapons 20 mm + MGs
Tactics:

4th 10-15 aircraft came in from 12 o'clock between 10000 - 15000 ft. stacked up in 3 lines - Note

The attack was made on the 390th - most of the 4th then passed under 100th although a few ang 6th pulled

2nd Attack - Place Just after target Time 1030 Duration one pass Alt 20000

No. 15-20 type Fw 190s - Me 109s Weapons 20 mm + MGs
Tactics:

Came in from 1030 level - loose formation in the air but 3-4 aircraft about - split & went for it over & under target

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

condemned) — Ship on fire — one man seen
 to come out of nose but no flames seen —
 Ship — ^{ship} ~~just~~ out + down — when last seen —
 ship seemed to be under control —

Nine large ships — ~~into~~ went right past
 Tail — T.G. reports cockpit — ~~smashed~~ — full
OBSERVATIONS OF CREW of flame.

② (5126' - 13° 06') at 1133 — B17
 seen about 5 miles off at 10 o'clock —
 left wing on fire — 5000' - 10000 feet —
 under control — circling — no flames
 seen —

CREW SUGGESTIONS

Observer — M/Yards at FULDA + FRIEDBURG — saw
 4 or 5 complete trains (Narrow gauge)

Approx FULDA — 50° 30' - 09° 41'
Friedburg — 50° 22' - 08° 16'

FIGHTER SUPPORT

20-25 Barges + Boats
 seen at Coblenz.
 and

Good —

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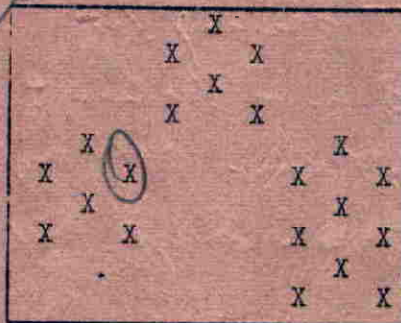
INTERROGATORS NAME

TIA HRT

100 SQD 350 A/C NO 903 LTR BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 28/5/44

Rank	Name
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Rank	Name
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Lt. H. Tishrt ✓ P S/Sgt O V Hardy TT

Lt. G. W. Clark CP S/Sgt R G Miller BT

Lt H Maruchess ✓ N T/Sgt D L Borchardt RW

Lt R E Braithwaite B S/Sgt E L Ingleston LW

T/Sgt W R Neweler ✓ RAD S/Sgt J M Daly ✓ TC

	Rank	Name	Status
Casualties			

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

Time 1408

No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Yours:

Place Mag — On target 10x 500

ATT 25500 Jettisoned

Br't Back

Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time _____ T. Opp. _____ Time _____

Place _____ Jetty _____ Place _____

Alt. _____ Br't back _____ Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Between 1K & 100 Time 3 min Duration 2 passes Alt 2500

No. 30-40 type Mossy, Fw, 90s - Weapons 20MM, M16 -

Tactics:

SENEs came in together with the no apparent
rotation from between 11 — 10.000 high —

2nd Attack - Place	Time	Duration	Alt
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100	1911	1

Tactics:

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

of lead on High 5000 ft 100 ft - and some
 on fire - a few being 500' altitude - ships very hard
 - no chutes seen.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

- ① Some of the F/Ws - lost
 red nose & red stripes on Tails —
 ② - 3 Rockets seen in target area —

CREW SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good -

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INTERROGATORS NAME

Macdonald

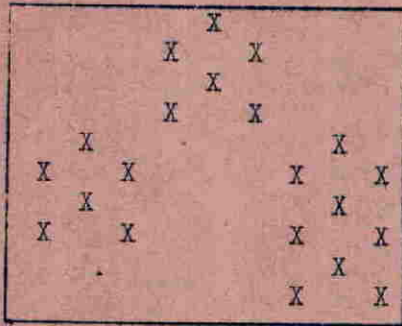
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INTERROGATION FORM

LACY

GROUP 100 SQD 351 A/C NO 389 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank	Name	Rank	Name
Lt. L. G. Lacy	P	T/Sgt. S. A. Cary	TT
Lt. C. E. Schindler	CP	S/Sgt. C. L. Powell	BT
Lt. R. E. Rossman	N	S/Sgt. J. S. Folsom	RW
Lt. H. Greenberg	B	S/Sgt. R. J. Mitchell	LW
T/Sgt. C. A. Wood	RAD	S/Sgt. M. Rotz	TG
Casualties	Rank	Name	Status

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time _____ No., Size & Type _____ Results Observed
Place _____ On target _____ Yours:
Alt _____ Jettisoned _____
Br't Back _____ Other _____

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition		Reason
Time _____	T.Opp. _____	Time _____
Place _____	Jett. _____	Place _____
Alt. _____	Br't back _____	Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place _____ Time _____ Duration _____ Alt _____
No. _____ type _____ Weapons _____
Tactics: _____

2nd Attack - Place _____ Time _____ Duration _____ Alt _____
No. _____ type _____ Weapons _____
Tactics: _____

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

CREW SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

with Earl two members 89 from our group moved down & out of contact & saw 2 Chutes.

At 1400, 2500. Target - B17 came in front at 12 o'clock about 100 ft below 7 o'clock put on fire, moved down & were no Chutes.

At 1511, 2000. 5032N 1019E - B17 making wide circles, losing alt., & right wing on fire - looked like might have been abandoned.

58 fighters & barges on Alben River

at 1545, 5018N 0737E.

Believe saw belly tanks on enemy fighters.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

I'm way back over enemy coast were 4 ships that had no movement. 695 last tank; one was 695.

Asking for a morphine for 009 & have asked for this several times before & complain severely about no response.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good, but were kept busy over target.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

Walter R. Hutchinson

INTERROGATION FORM CHADWICK

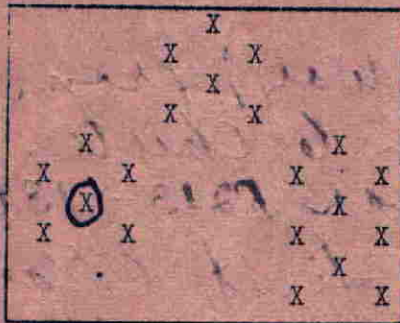
Crew #51

GROUP 100 SQD 350 A/C NO 695 LTR BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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Rank	Name
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Lt R T Chadwick P T/Sgt J J Good TT

Lt W T Fitzroy CP S/Sgt G A Benedict BT

Lt J E Longenecker N S/Sgt D J H Bruns RWO

Lt J A Carty B S/Sgt A B Roberts LW

T/Sgt E E Postel RAD S/Sgt P K Troetschel TG

Rank

Name _____

Status

Casualties

None.

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1407 No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Hours: 1

Place Madison On target 10 x 500.

Alt. 24,800 / pettisoned

Br't Back

Yours: Bomber fell in target
Area of P. T. Was
not able to see if near
M. P. I. Other

Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

© to 2/10 Cloud Clearance -
Visibility 5 to 10 miles.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time	T.Opp.	Time
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Place Jett. Place

Alt. _____ Br't back _____ Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place	1405	Time	1405	Duration		Alt
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5215-11002 No. 50 type FW & Me 109 Weapons

Tactics:

Tactics:
About 50 F/A Were Circling in Distances
About 2 miles away. Then they Came
in all at once at 11 0'clock slightly
high. Fighter support had just
left. 1st Bomb away

2nd Attack - Place *4th Bomb* Time *1408* Duration *1 pass* Alt *1000*

No. 75 mostly ME/10's some F.W.

Tactics:

Tactics:
E/A then came back about 3 minutes
later making another similar pass.

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

Come out. Lat 1405 near 5213 - 1130.

3- B-17's knocked out at first attack 1405 hrs near 5213 - 1130. No chutes seen.

2- Unidentified B-17's seen going down after 2nd attack at 1408 hrs just after Bombs away.

OBSERVATIONS OF GROUND

None.

A dispersed installation of 100 small buildings near. 5110 N - 0258 E. Has been unnoticed before and is in a woods not shown on present maps.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

1. EM definitely need hot water for a hot shower after missions.
2. B50th Sq. Latines have no toilet paper. If haven't any law about newspapers etc.
3. Coffee and Sandwiches out on the line this morning was a good thing.
4. Mess Sgt. has been doing a good job.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good - just about had it all the time.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

50 & 20mm fire in + Ts.

INTERCOMPARISON MAPS

Rank	Name
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Rank	Name
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<u>Lt. M. C. Rumley</u>	- P	<u>T/Sgt. R. G. Smith</u>	- TT
<u>Lt. R. P. Lipps</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. R. P. Kaasa</u>	BT
<u>Lt. M. Radulovich</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. N. T. Kocquent</u>	RW
<u>Lt. W. F. Lowans</u>	- B	<u>S/Sgt. P. V. Helmin</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. R. E. Harris</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. L. J. Kaminski</u>	TC

	Rank	Name	Status
Casualties			

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time No 8

No., Size & Type

Results Observed

Place

On target $\Delta X \approx 50$.

Alt 25,4m

Jettisoned

126⁰ Fine

Brit Back

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Time

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Place _____

Jeft.

Alt.

Br't back

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place

Time 1:09

Duration

Alt 201

No. 100-125

type 2

Weapons

Tactics:

12 eleven High - 2-3 - on one ship - between High
Lead Group - some wind peeled up - from
wind on back end of High Group

2nd Attack - Place

Time

Duration

Alt.

No

type

Weapons

Tactics:

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

into line + 4,000 feet down - exploded in mid-air

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Flock with bird until fighters made 2-3 passes
then flock released - one formation tight.
390 (lead spread out) looked as if they
were attacking us then passed down on
the 390th - flock at target low-range.
many, many - low and merge.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

Have fighters (friendly) between
IP + target. (Lowans)
Crew # 78, wants a definite airplane
(all crew)

FIGHTER SUPPORT

None over target - plenty on way out

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

Crew #35

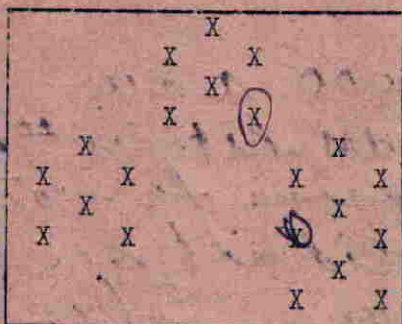
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INTERROGATION FORM

ROTH

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 175 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank	Name	Rank	Name
Lt. G. Roth	P	T/Sgt. B. L. Reynolds	TT
Lt. W. F. LeBaron	CP	S/Sgt. P. E. Hunter	BT
Lt. D. Shoss	N	S/Sgt. C. R. Carlson	RW
T/Sgt. J. T. Pyles	B	S/Sgt. J. J. Allen	LW
T/Sgt. W. B. Yates	RAD	S/Sgt. H. E. Rulong	TG

Casualties Rank Name Status

None

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1408 No., Size & Type 10 x 500 G.P. Results Observed
 Place Magdeburg On target
 Alt 25,200 Jettisoned
 1800 Br't Back
 Weather as it affected the Mission: Good Visibility.
 There was much smoke in target area both from previous bombing and an effective smoke screen.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Time	Bomb Disposition	Reason
Time	T. Opp.	Time
Place	Jett.	Place
Alt.	Br't back	Alt.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place 1400 at I.P. (524-1100) Time Duration Alt 25,200

No. 50 type ME-109's FW Weapons

Tactics: E/A. had yellow noses.

1 large wave came in at 1230 slightly low and high. Attacks were generally concentrated on low groups. E/A were then split up. tried to make attack at approximately 5 o'clock.

2nd Attack - Place Time Duration Alt

No. type Weapons

Tactics: About 20 seconds later about 50 E/A divided in two groups. Came in again high at 1230 o'clock. then several attacks were made in various clock positions by small numbers of E/A.
 Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

engine) he peeled off from formation
Saw 2 bodies come - did not see
Chutes open immediately. Ship
seemed under control.

2-B17's group (division) ahead were
seen going down at same time -
same attack. (2nd Division).

1-B-17 Burning (5025 - 0925 E) at
1523 - Left wing was burning - saw
~~flames~~ ~~water~~ - slipping ship. Must have
Went down.

Dresden - Rockets were fired up.

Leipzig - Smoke Screen.

Oil Refinery or similar installation
near 5040 N - 1120 E - near Saalfeld.

Sweinhurst - smoke screen.

Activity - over 100 barge Rhine

Canal at 5008 N - 0645 E. at 1555 hrs.
Group Behind us was almost all
knocked during 1st attack. BT.
Only saw 1 ship left.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

1. Navigator wants temperature gauge.
2. EM want place where they can have dry - cleaning down.
3. If they promise no sandwiches & coffee be sure and give them to us.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

seemed to disappear at I.P.
when attacks came.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

Rank	Name
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<u>Lt. J. E. Schwank</u>	P	<u>T/Sgt. V. A. Belles</u>	TT
<u>Lt. T. J. Crowley</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. J. R. Martin</u>	BT
<u>F/O R. E. Battista</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. R. H. Walsh</u>	RW
<u>Lt. T. A. McKenzie</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. W. E. Hill</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. L. H. Weaver</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. C. C. Segrest</u>	TG
Casualties	Rank	Name	Status
	<u>None</u>		

Casualties None

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

Time <u>1409</u>	No., Size & Type	Results Observed
Place <u>PT</u>	On target <u>10XV00</u>	Yours: <u>none</u>
Alt <u>2500</u>	Jettisoned _____	<u>Fighters at</u>
	Br't Back _____	

Weather as it affected the Mission:

3/10 at target - haze

Bomb Disposition			Reason
Time _____	T. Opp. _____	Time _____	
Place _____	Jett. _____	Place _____	
Alt. _____	Br't back _____	Alt. _____	

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Magdaburg Time 1400 Duration 10 min. Alt 25000
No. 120 type 109s & 190s Weapons 20 mm. & m.g.
Tactics:

Tactics: Attacked by EA while making bomb run. 40 in 1st wave. 120 all told in the 3 formations. Mostly 109s. Some 190s. They made 4 passes. 1st pass ^{were} ~~not~~ at the lead gp. and EA came on through the 100 "B" gp. still firing.

2nd Attack - Place Burg Time 1415 Duration 1 Alt 25000
No. 12 type 109c Weapons 2
Tactics:

Tactics:
4th attack was from 10 o'clock and
against ~~bow~~ ^{passer} again. 1st 3 took place
on bomb run. 4th was several
minutes.

thus were making contrails in an ∞ pattern.

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

During bomb run observed 4 A/C doing a fig. 8 about 2000' above our formation. Same thing was observed in last Berlin raid.

sgdn.

Also lead group lost about six during bomb run. All too busy to watch. One got about three hits in wing. Saw man bail out but must have been delayed drop.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

3 Freight vessels at Ymuiden. Not in motion - 1 inside locks, the other outside.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Not enough when needed

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INTERROGATORS NAME

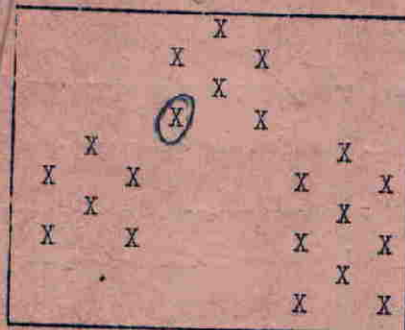
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Crew #19

INTERROGATION FORM

GREINER

GROUP 100 SQD 351 A/C NO 066 LTR BOMB LOAD 38x100 GP DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank Name

Rank Name

Lt. W. L. Greiner - P T/Sgt. J. Poage TT
 Lt. C. A. Bowers - CP S/Sgt. E. Buchanan BT
 Lt. C. T. Lewis N S/Sgt. C. E. Wehner RW
 Lt. C. A. Myer - B S/Sgt. R. L. McDaniel LW
 T/Sgt. W. H. Wakefield RAD S/Sgt. E. A. Farkas TG

Casualties Rank Name Status

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1410 (1500 T.H.) No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Yours:

Place Magdeburg On target 38x100 GP.

Alt 23,000

Jettisoned

Br't Back

Could see nothing
 but black smoke in
 whole target area.
 Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Few scattered Cu.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time _____ T. Opp. _____ Time _____
 Place _____ Jett. _____ Place _____
 Alt. _____ Br't back _____ Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Target area on front row Time 1410 Duration 8-10 min Alt 25,000

No. 35650 type FW-190 Weapons 20 m. m.

Tactics:

Spurred up in 12' & then came in from 11:30 o'clock level (started high & dropped to level for attack) - they turned to their right & dived down. They'd attack whole group & then queue up again & come in the same way. The very first time they came in high 120' clock.

2nd Attack - Place _____ Time _____ Duration _____ Alt _____

No. _____ type _____ Weapons _____

Tactics:

when we opened fire they belled up & turned to their left & assembled below & behind us - then went up ahead high again. Hit one in belly but it continued to fly.

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

Saw FW-190
 1409 hrs. - saw a fighter (?) go down - most likely
 (Went down in flames & was seen to explode) an FW-190

was bits of flame going down. No chutes seen.
Large flash went down a ways & another flash & full flames.

1411 hrs. B-17 went down at 100' alt - 5 chutes.

Peeled off in very steep left glide - then nose dropped & went into tight spin. Broke all up.

1528 hrs. 5028-09348 - B-17 peeled off to left.

#3 engine smoking - then ^{going} burst into flames -

L.W.C. saw only 1 chute & chute caught on tail.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW
~~Plane was~~ spinning at first. ~~but before it~~
~~hit ground~~ They brought it under control & doubt
if it hit ground. Chute still on tail. 3 P-38's
came in & circled them.

2 other of crew saw 3 chutes open & on tail

Approx. 1513 - B-17 went down - exploded at
approx. 19,000' - wings & from radio compartment
the nose went down in tight spin. No chutes seen.
Saw it hit ground. Heading 260° - no coords.

Barrage balloons & smoke screen over target.

5032-0942 - 23 barrage balloons over a dam.

A/D sight on Dutch coast where we entered is all repaired.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

Can't even see runways now - covered with gun spans.
(Have been watching this A/D for a few missions. About
2 wks. + ago there were 5 bomb craters.) Some
camouflage on ends.

Coal for barracks.

Would still appreciate sandwiches at interogation.
Fighter support should continue & if anything
should double in strength at target area.
Time back at gunners briefing.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

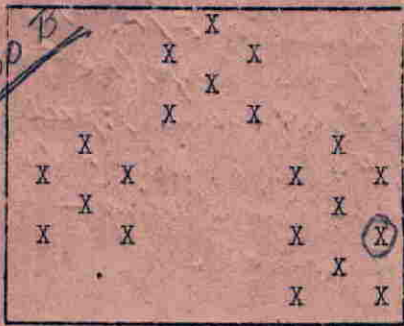
Excellent except at target & then poor.

THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

James D. Shurley

Crew #80 INTERROGATION FORM WILLIAMS 66
GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 011 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank	Name	Rank	Name
Lt. B. Williams	P	T/Sgt. G. L. Tricker	TT
Lt. E. R. Lesmith	CP	S/Sgt. L. C. Boyer	BT
Lt. W. M. Pickett	N	S/Sgt. E. A. Yaroch	FW
Lt. V. O. Breazeale	B	S/Sgt. W. V. Goos	LW
T/Sgt. M. H. Evans	RAD	S/Sgt. L. E. Nord	TG

Casualties Rank Name Status
NONE

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1407 No., Size & Type Results Observed
Place PT On target 10 x 500 Yours: TC - area covered by smoke
Alt 25,200' Jettisoned but believe our bombs hit
120° Br't Back in target area.
Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

5 - 7/10th broken clouds in target area - but didn't
interfer with bombing.

TURNED BACK EARLY

	Bomb Disposition	Reason
Time	T. Opp.	Time
Place	Jett.	Place
Alt.	Br't back	Alt.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Target area Time 1407 Duration 13 mins Alt 25,200'
25 FW 190's - yellow noses & wing tips & red tails
No. 25 type ME 109's Weapons " " " "

Tactics: attack fr sun fr 12. also attack in formation stacked
high, level & low - they would hit sp. on our right, then
us & then sp. on our left. "they appeared to be just
as swirling mass." We got 2 more attacks and
one attack from tail.

2nd Attack - Place Time Duration Alt
No. type Weapons

Tactics:

Note 25 FW 88's seen low & to left in target
area - didn't attack. Quite a ways in
distance.

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

control - 2 chutes. Way off target by himself.

To left, 4 eng. on fire - 1 for cockpit & right wing - 1 chute; went into spiral.

③ At 1515 hrs, 5032-1022 - B-17 with #1 eng. burning - big spiral - perfect control - 4 chutes. Don't know sep.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW ① 1824 - 5235-0809 - 3 A/D - one well bombed but other two didn't appear to have been hit.

- ② 1439 - Leipzig Area A/D - bomb craters off to one side.
- ③ 5032-1018 - marshalling yds. which had been bombed and didn't look as though it had been repaired.
- ④ 1622 - 5038-0456 - A/D (small) - good runways (white) but no evidence of use.
- ⑤ 1630 - 5050-0420 - A/D & 7 mines close together. Big shovel appeared to have been in recent operation of largest mine. No evidence of activity at A/D.
- ⑥ 1645 - 5106-0310 - Big army camp - 70-75 Bldgs. with water tower in middle of camp.

CREW SUGGESTIONS ① Officers want soap in officers club to wash before eating after mission. ② Officers want hot water in WAF site.

- ~~③ To be suggested secret from IP to target.~~
- ④ All crew suggest stranger secret for IP to target.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good - should be stronger for IP to target.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (E/A).

INTERROGATOR'S NAME

Crew #53 INTERROGATION FORM *ROSINE*

GROUP 100 SQD 350 A/C NO 611 LTR BOMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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<u>P/O R F Leaman</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt R C Rodriguez</u>	BT
<u>Lt E F Kenna</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt G B Mailloux</u>	RW
<u>T/Sgt C H Thompson</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt E C Butchins</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt R V Haines</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt C M Coleman</u>	TG

	Rank	Name	Status
Casualties	<i>no</i>		

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1407 No., Size & Type _____
Place Laburg On target _____
Alt. 24200 Jettisoned _____
Br't Back _____

Results Observed
Yours:

Think bombs were
dropped slightly
early; target thought
to have been hit

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Scattered clouds 2/10-3/10
Good visibility

~~but~~. Could see target
& horse shoe like

Smoke pots seemed

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Time	T.Opp.
Place	Jett.
Alt.	Br't back

to be E of target
Reason
A wind blew smoke
away

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Magdeburg Time 1406 Duration 3-4 min Alt 24000
No. 30 type FW190 Weapons 20MM & MG.

Tactics:

30 FW 190's came in @ 01 o'clock high. Were in stacked up "V", peeled off singly & came in almost side by side; firing & raking B 17's as ~~they~~ the nose of the E/A passed the formation. All E/A seemed to fire as loader fired; in a turn.

2nd Attack - Place Magdeburg Time 1405 Duration 3-4 min Alt 2400
No. 15-20 type FW 190 Weapons 20 MM.

Tactics:

Tactics:
15-20 Fw 190's came in low @ 0100 clock, low
started from V formation & peeled off &
came in in echelon, making B-17's
& split 5ed off to right & went down.

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

couldn't ascertain if there were clusters on bodies; The B-17 involved then held off & went in dive.

5 0-27N, 0937E 1458 hrs. B-17 was on fire; fire was put out then the B-17 ~~landed~~ crash landed near those coordinates; Seemed to make a good landing in plowed field.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

3 Fw190's knocked down over target area by P-51's. 2 on fire & 3rd saw pilot bailout.

on attack over target on lead front, 3 or 4 E/A knocked down; 2 ~~stumbled~~ blew up.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

When E/A hit formation of B-17's, friendly escort took after E/A & left no fighter cover for Bombers.

want leather covered helmet for M & B in nose.

Combat crews have to carry side arms on station but have no ammunition.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Perfect except as observed above

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY () (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

E. L. Johnson

MONRAD

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank	Name
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<u>Lt. R. W. E. Monrad</u>	P	<u>T/Sgt D A Lynch</u>	TT
<u>Capt. J I Zeller (CA)</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt A H. Smith</u>	BT
<u>Lt. G E Bonitz</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt C L Grimes</u>	RW
<u>E/G D L White</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt W V Lombardi</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt H J Hendricks</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt W H Frederick</u>	TG
Rank		Name	Status

Casualties

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1408 No., Size & Type _____
 Place Mogadishu On target 10 x 500
 Alt 25300 Jettisoned _____
 Br't Back _____

Results Observed

Yours:

Yours:
Don't believe that
forget - made left hand
turn sharp down in
step back as bomb away

Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Lazy & smoke screen

Other
Believing I have thereupon
made formations
so to break formation
I believe well.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time _____ T. Opp. _____ Time _____
Place _____ Jett. _____ Place _____
Alt. _____ Br't back _____ Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place 11 15 E Time 1405 Duration 10 min. Alt 25000

No. 50 to 100 type all types Weapons

Tactics: *Enter Area*

1st attack - 3 ME 109s attacking lead group.
2nd attack - 75 to 80 E/A all ME 109s
Using 3 deep + 8 or 12 abreast in more
formation. 1st attack like flying wedge
Coming in at 12 - this attack took place
about 15 miles from target on bomb run.

2nd Attack - Place 60 miles Time 1 Duration 1 Alt 25000

No. 15-25 type ME109 Weapons

Tactics:

facties:
attached at 10 to 11 o'clock, st. other
made a faint at lead group & turned
back on other group but missed,

4th. Octach-Taper just before before break away
about 15 to 20 ME 1890; also in Mr. Conner's
5th. Octach

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

with fire in cockpit — saw 3 or 4
men out but no chutes open.

Saw about 5 or 6 ships out of 390
going down over target & just before.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

No flak from Meppel
particularly from south of " "

14 42 — 505° 8' N 123° 1' E

11 5/E fighters on A/P

14 58 — 504° 0' N 112° 0' E

airfield with few fighters

15 30 — 502° 23' N 084° 2' E

saw many aircraft factory, saw
planes nearby

CREW SUGGESTIONS

Silver ships flying as bad
ships should be painted olive green
on the top of fuselage
as it is hard on eyes of

Complain about trucks coming
into May site during night on
beach and that & waking up the

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good except in target area, &
couldn't see them — Good coming going
in & coming out

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

INTERROGATION FORM

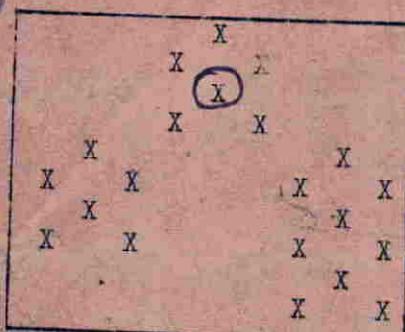
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GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 673 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank	Name
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Lt. S. T. Major P T/Sgt. J. E. Marion TT

Lt. T. Bline CP S/Sgt. J. H. Gare BT

Lt. S. B. Green N S/Sgt. H. F. Carter RM

Lt. W. A. Lichtenstern B S/Sgt. M. K. Eekley LW

S/Sgt. J. L. Olson RAD S/Sgt. W. G. Moore TG

Rank	Name	Status
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7/30/57 D.W. BRADY

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED (A)

Time 1408

No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Yours:

Place Mazda

On target 10 x 500 90

Alt 25000

Jettisoned

Br't Back

Head 110° T.
Weather as it affected the Mission:

Other

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time

T. Opp

Time

Place _____

Jet.

Place

Alt

Br't back

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ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Bombini Time 1407 Duration 5 mi. Alt 25000

No. five type 109's -- Weapons 20 mm

Came in head-on in formation, stacked up, but
thru high squadron. Some went over, some under.
Saw three of high squadron go down.

2nd Attack - Place Bomb run Time 1X10 Duration 30 sec. Alt 2000

No. Three type 109's Weapons 202

Level ~~at~~ to High at 1030 o'clock. ~~Be~~

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

At ~~1515~~ 1437 at 50 55 - 12 40 (WR) blew up.
 Rocket fire from ground reported 3 in later, directs
 at Osceola Ship.
 at 1518 - B17 crash landed (on fire) - 50 28-0950 E
 rescued down by P-38's.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

So of Osterud -
 So of Dunkirk, large flooded area.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good in

THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

MEB

GIBBONS

GROUP 100 SQD 350 A/C NO 621 LTR ECMB LOAD 10x500 DATE 28/5/44

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<u>Lt P Dykeman</u>	<u>CP</u>	<u>S/Sgt B L Spagg</u>	<u>BT</u>
<u>Lt E M Johnson</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>S/Sgt M J Ettus</u>	<u>RW</u>
<u>Lt S B Blakeman</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>S/Sgt F W Buschmeier</u>	<u>LW</u>
<u>T/Sgt C V Roberto</u>	<u>RAD</u>	<u>S/Sgt R A Beyer</u>	<u>TG</u>

	Rank	Name	Status
Casualties			

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

Time	No., Size & Type	Results Observed
1408		Yours:

Place Target On target 10 x 500
Alt 25,000 Jettisoned
140 hours Br't Back

Too busy fighting
fighters. Heavy black
smoke ^{Other} come up later.

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition		Reason
Time _____	T.Opp. _____	Time _____
Place _____	Jett. _____	Place _____
Alt. _____	Br't back _____	Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place Over Target Time 1408 Duration passed at 45 Alt 25000

No. 90 to 100 type M₂ 109 Fw 190 Weapons _____

tactics: Divided around us for a while then come in from 10 to 20' back.

2nd Attack - Place East Post Time 1918 Duration passed at head Alt on pt.

No. 90 1/2 100 type FW 190 Weapons

Circled around for a while as before
but sent one man up to make contacts
to draw attention then they come in a
10 o'clock dived down to 5 o'clock and
start the planes below us.
Have some information on any subsequent attacks:

on fire. Didn't see get to the ground.
No Chutes seen.

- ② B-17. One from our Gp. Came from High at 5 o'clock. Engines were coming off and he went right on down. (2 Chutes.)

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Lots of smoke screen. Every city seemed to have a smoke screen. Couldn't get all of them.

CREW SUGGESTIONS

None

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Little weak over target. From I.P. far 10 minutes after the target.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

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COMBAT REPORT

GROUP _____ SQN. _____ A/C _____ DATE _____

WHERE ATT CK _____ HEIGHT _____ TIME _____
TOOK PLACE _____

MARK A/C ATTACKED AND CLOCK POSITION

Our Heading _____

Type of E/A _____

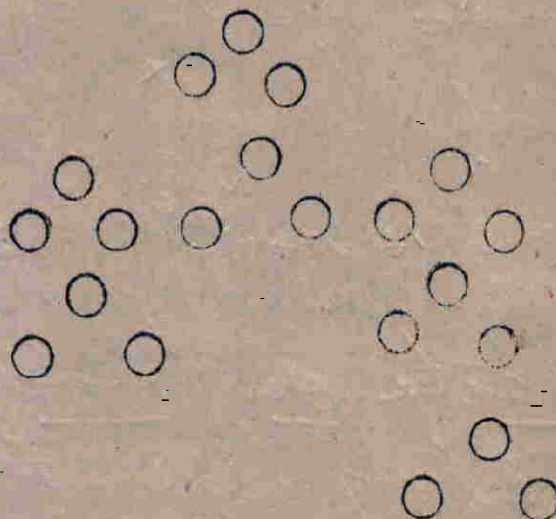
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COMPLETE STORY OF THE ATTACK:

Gunner responsible for E/A damage: _____ Position _____

Other gun positions firing on the same E/A _____

Other A/C firing at the same time at the same E/A: A/C Nos. _____

If E/A was shot down or damaged: Corroborated by:

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

_____ A/C No. _____ Position in A/C _____

Comments of interrogator: _____

INTERROGATOR _____

Time _____

If formation varied widely from standard, show by diagram on back of this sheet.
In reproducing this form, no changes will be made.

S-2 29/15-8-43

10-12 FW 190's

attacks on Lead group at
Magdeburg.

1406 hrs Est 30 FW 190's made
an attack from 11 o'clock high;
came in from "V" formation, peeled
off & came in in echelon. made
one pass & then split 50 out below,
were in turn attacked by P-51's.

1407-1408 hrs Est 10-12 FW 190's,
made attack from 07 o'clock
slightly low, came in in formation,
firing as leader fired, peeled off
& went down.

Crew #61

100-B

INTERROGATION FORM

ZAPF

GROUP 100 SQD 351

A/C NO

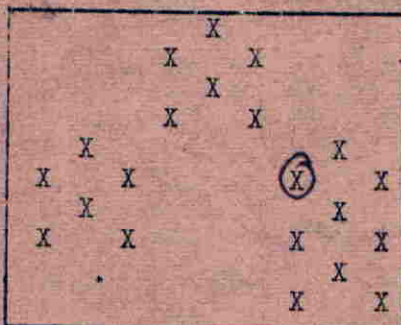
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LTP

BOMB LOAD

10 x 500

DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

Rank Name

Rank Name

Lt. E. Zapf	P	T/Sgt. C. R. Koser	TT
Lt. W. D. Lawson	CP	S/Sgt. F. A. LoBello	BT
Lt. R. F. Vaughan	N	S/Sgt. G. E. Anderson	RW
Lt. F. D. Chapin	B	S/Sgt. C. J. Gortinski	LW
T/Sgt. J. Rodemich	RAD	S/Sgt. R. D. Kreitzer	TG

Casualties	Rank	Name	Status
		<i>none</i>	

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 14:08

No., Size & Type

Results Observed

Place PT

On target 10 x 500

Yours:

Alt 25400

Jettisoned

Smoke seen over PT.
Results unobserved.

Br't Back

Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Weather good - 5 miles visibility -
2-4/10 low clouds - clear in way back.

Also unobserved.

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition		Reason
Time	T.Opp.	Time
Place	Jett.	Place
Alt.	Br't back	Alt.

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place 52 26 11:05 Time 14:02 Duration 15 sec Alt 25400

No. 2 type ME 109 Weapons 20 mm.

Tactics:

2 ME's came in high at 2 o'clock - were part of large group that attacked group ahead - these 2 passed through formation going to low - opened fire at 800 yds - no hits.

2nd Attack - Place 52 25 11:07 Time 14:03 Duration 45 Alt 25400

No. 50 type ME 109 Weapons 20 mm

Tactics:

Whole mass of planes came in at 1:30 low. were staggered & gave each ship a clear shot but were in no particular formation - pressed attack home and some turned away low others passed through formation. 2 were shot down - one broke up - one in uncontrolled spin. This group Some of this group circled around went into a spiral climb and attacked again at 11:00 o'clock low after climbing above and going into a steep climb. attack was made by zooming up, one of them was shot down by this

201 (007) was down over target area
hit by fighters - #4 engine ~~smoking~~ and also
cockpit on fire - report also that rudder broke off
3 chutes seen.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Lots of trains in RR Marshalling yards at Muenberg.
Some looked like oil tank cars, and also lots of
activity - alt 24750 - 13:38.

Smoke screen over Dessau - 14:15 - 24900

18:29 - Marshalling yds at Hamau - 2 round
houses - Lot of trains in yds.

Road under construction 50°09N 07°00E.
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CREW SUGGESTIONS

None

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good - except over target area.

THIS SHIP (was) (WAS NOT) ~~SERIOUSLY~~ ^{very} SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A) in radio room.

INTERROGATOR NAME

ABD.

(5030 - 0940E) 1518 Jan 1990 alt
 don't know where he came from;

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

(5226 - 1100E) Smoke screen heavy at 1400.

(5040 - 1148E) Heavy smoke screen 1454.

Railway marshalling yards 2 round houses
 100 goods cars. (5020N - 0845E) 1530 Jan
 alt 19900 alt

50 Barges (5012 - 0739E) canal ~~at~~ 1544 Jan
 19900 alt

CREW SUGGESTIONS

~~Left~~ Friendly Fighters should remain
 for protection in front of group. Did not
 see any for 54 minutes.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

Bauman

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TARGET BOMBED

Time 1409 No., Size & Type _____
Place TARGET On target 10 X 500
Alt 25,300 Jettisoned _____
Br't Back _____

Results Observed
Yours:

Smoke screen
over target.

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Good - Nat

Other

Don't think but
target

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition		
Time	T. Opp.	Time
Place	Jett.	Place
Alt.	Br't back	Alt.

Reason

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place 1P-Target Time 1404 Duration 2 min Alt 25300

No. 40-50 type MG/09-FWT Weapons 20 MM
Tactics: _____

NE 109 Red cras marking on pilous ships

~~the~~ 11 to one head on in waves and
seemed to be going down through division 1 making
out low group.

2nd Attack - Place Target Time 1:17 Duration Alt 25300

No. 44422 type F4U 190 Weapons 20 MG
Tactics: 1

Tactics: From 100 o'clock also hit the low group.
passed through formation again.

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

Seemed to be a surprise attack. No tactics or angle of attack. Just seemed to happen and be over.

out but did not see chutes. Might have been
fire in cockpit

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

Dam with barrage balloons around it (about 20)
(5035 - 11435) 20400 - 1458 time) quite large

CREW SUGGESTIONS

Suggest that fighter support should
stay in front at least half of them.
Should not turn the continent after bombing target.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

at target fighter support poor - good
until then and then left us

THIS SHIP ~~(WAS)~~ (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

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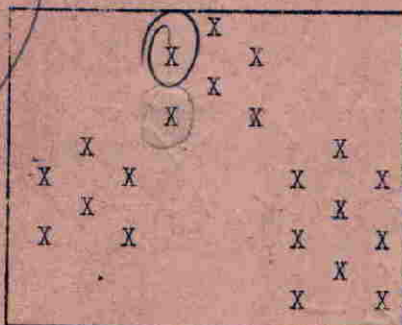
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INTERROGATION FORM

MC KEAGUE

GROUP 100 SQD 349 A/C NO 347 LTR BOMB LOAD 38x100 GP DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank	Name	Rank	Name
Lt. E. P. McKeague	P	S/Sgt. G. H. Penman	TT
Lt. F. A. Ritter	CP	S/Sgt. N. L. Kiefer	BT
F/O B. L. King	N	S/Sgt. A. M. Hudnall	RW
Lt. A. Cardes	B	Sgt. R. A. Gallagher	LW
T/Sgt. W. H. Allen	RAD	S/Sgt. M. F. Bottoviano	RG

Casualties	Rank	Name	Status

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time 1408 No., Size & Type 38 x 100
 Place Mudgehook target
 Alt 23000 Jettisoned
 Ldg 120° Br't Back

Results Observed
Yours:

*Saw huge columns
of black smoke -
some other white from
this ship believed to
be left of MPI -
dropped late*

Weather as it affected the Mission:

Same fog - vertical vis ok -

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition			Reason
Time	T.Opp.	Time	
Place	Jett.	Place	
Alt.	Br't back	Alt.	

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place T/A Time 1406 Duration 6' Alt 23000
 No. 20 type ME 109 Weapons 20 MM
 Tactics:

*All bank run - no warning - came in to
400 yards in attacking - formation of F/A
scattered after 1st attack & went after rest
of our group.*

2nd Attack - Place T/A Time 1412 Duration 1/2' Alt 23000
 No. 3 type ME 109 Weapons 20 MM
 Tactics:

*All claim by F/G S/Sgt. M.F. Bottoviano
3 planes left formation which made 1st
attack and came back to attack our tail.*

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

all in 1/A - 1408-2300ft -
most seen was 7 chutes -
also saw GB17 in flames over
target - no chutes from there.

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

none

CREW SUGGESTIONS

none

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME Leister

#28 INTERROGATION FORM RICE

GROUP 100 SQD 418 A/C NO 154 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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Rank	Name	Rank	Name	
Lt. D. G. Rice	P	T/Sgt. P. H. Rowe	TT	
Lt. J. S. Fareht	CP	S/Sgt. R. E. Pryor	BT	
Lt. J. M. Henry	N	S/Sgt. H. W. Vaughn	RW	
Lt. W. Cherry	B	S/Sgt. W. E. Stein	LW	
T/Sgt. L. M. Thompson	RAD	S/Sgt. R. W. Pion	TG	
Rank	Name	Status		
Casualties	<u>none</u>			
Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)				

TARGET BOMBED

Time	No., Size & Type	Results Observed
1408		Yours:
Place <u>Magdeburg</u>	On target <u>10X8006P</u>	<i>Didn't have time to look</i>
Alt <u>22,000</u>	Detonated <u> </u>	
	Br't Back <u> </u>	Other
Weather as it affected the Mission:		<i>Believe our bombs short</i>

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition		Reason
Time _____	T. Opp. _____	Time _____
Place _____	Jett. _____	Place _____
Alt. _____	Br't back _____	Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place S 2 18-1125 Time 1405 Duration 2-5 min Alt 25,000
 No. approx 100 type FW-190's Weapons 20 mm

Factics:

Examiner came thru en masse. Seemed to play follow the leader through lead group⁽²⁹⁰⁴⁾, then thru our group. Then went down below, reformed & came back at our group. Came in from 12 o'clock level first time & second time from 9 & 3 o'clock level.

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Tactics:

Attach all during bomb run.

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

from target. 1 B-17 which must have been from our Gp. went down right in front by our wing & headed down - didn't see result - it wasn't on fire at the time.

(3) B-17 went low to rear - dropped out.
1440 hrs. 5054-1150 E. (4) Right wing on fire - under control - spiral - no chutes seen.
OBSERVATIONS OF CREW
5036-1041 - 1515 hrs. to our left.

01308 hrs. 5242-0636 E - B-17 aborted
1442 hrs. 5052-1141 E. - Ship to right - one crew member bailed out but no chute opened.
Smoke Screen - 1420 hrs. - also light flak - just at end of bomb run - after bombs away.
1446 hrs. 5050-1205 - 2 Smoke Screens at 20' alt. about 1/4 mi. apart.
1452 hrs. Smoke Screen - very light + 5042-1140 E.
1457 hrs. 5040-1120 - Large factory
CREW SUGGESTIONS
1617 hrs - 8 mi. S.E. Liege - A/D - no damage int.
1645 hrs - 5100-0320 Army Camps.
Ships (approx. 30-40 barges) on Rhine River.
5004-0710 E. Just tied up.

Fighters should stay by on bomb run over target - at least hold a few for those making run & send part of them back for other Gps.

FIGHTER SUPPORT

Good up till I.P. to R.P. then good again.

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A)

2 holes

INTERROGATORS NAME

James Shiley

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

CREW SUGGESTIONS

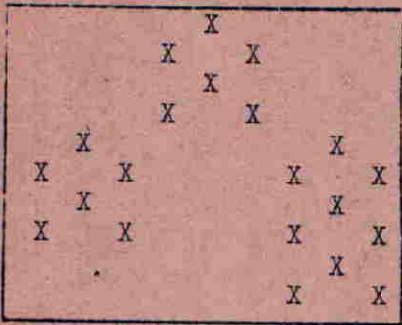
FIGHTER SUPPORT

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

Crew #65 INTERROGATION FORM *SIMMONS 181*
GROUP 100 SQD 351 A/C NO 936 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)



Rank	Name	Rank	Name
Lt. E. J. Simmons	P	T/Sgt. W. O. Reetz	TT
Lt. L. R. Romeo	CP	S/Sgt. N. J. Perno	BT
Lt. W. E. Harmon	N	S/Sgt. T. P. Buntin	RW
Lt. R. E. McKitterick	B	S/Sgt. E. J. Donevan	LW
T/Sgt. R. O. Howell	RAD	S/Sgt. F. A. Raihl	TG
Rank	Name	Status	

Casualties _____

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time _____ No., Size & Type _____ Results Observed
Place _____ On target _____ Yours:
Alt _____ Jettisoned _____
Br't Back _____ Other _____

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition Reason
Time _____ T.Opp. _____ Time _____
Place _____ Jett. _____ Place _____
Alt. _____ Br't back _____ Alt. _____

ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place _____ Time _____ Duration _____ Alt _____
No. _____ type _____ Weapons _____
Tactics: _____

2nd Attack - Place _____ Time _____ Duration _____ Alt _____
No. _____ type _____ Weapons _____
Tactics: _____

Give same information on any subsequent attacks:

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

CREW SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME _____

INTERROGATION FORM

SCHOMP

GROUP 100 SQD 351 - A/C NO 598 LTR BOMB LOAD 10 x 500 DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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<u>Lt. H. C. Praher</u>	CP	<u>S/Sgt. J. Rosolino</u>	BT
<u>Lt. R. W. Culwell</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. E. E. Flood</u>	HW
<u>S/Sgt. R. W. Lennox</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. W. R. Hogan</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. J. P. Hunter</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. A. J. Malaney</u>	TC

Rank

Name _____

Status

Casualties

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

Time

No., Size & Type

Results Observed
Yours:

Place

On target _____

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Jettisoned

Br't Back

Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time

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ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

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Tactics:

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

INTERROGATION FORM

KEYS 181

GROUP 100 SQD 349 A/C NO 211 LTR BOMB LOAD 38x100 GP DATE 28/5/44

Position in formation
(at target)

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A diagram showing the arrangement of 15 'X' marks on a grid, representing the 15-puzzle state. The marks are arranged in a pattern that corresponds to the initial state of the puzzle.

<u>Lt. J. P. Keys</u>	-P	<u>T/Sgt. H. D. Fark</u>	TT
<u>F/O E. W. Samuelson</u>	GP	<u>S/Sgt. P. Martin</u>	BT
<u>Lt. P. H. Lollis</u>	N	<u>S/Sgt. J. A. Costanza</u>	RW
<u>Lt. E. Dickens</u>	B	<u>S/Sgt. G. A. Borba</u>	LW
<u>T/Sgt. F. D. Thomas</u>	RAD	<u>S/Sgt. D. V. Rieger</u>	TG

Rank

Name _____

Status

Casualties

Indicate Killed (K), Wounded (W), Missing (M)

TARGET BOMBED

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No., Size & Type

Results Observed
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On target _____

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Other

Weather as it affected the Mission:

TURNED BACK EARLY

Bomb Disposition

Reason

Time _____

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ENEMY FIGHTER OPPOSITION:

1st Attack - Place	Time	Duration	Alt
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99	AK-47	1
100	AK-47	1

Tactics:

2nd Attack - Place	Time	Duration	Alt
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Tactics:

Give some information on any subsequent attacks:

OBSERVATIONS OF CREW

CREW SUGGESTIONS

FIGHTER SUPPORT

THIS SHIP (WAS) (WAS NOT) SERIOUSLY / SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BY (AA) (E/A).

INTERROGATORS NAME

FORMATION POSITION

28 May 1944.

Wing Order:

13 "A"

13 "B"

45

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Interval between Wings 2 min

93

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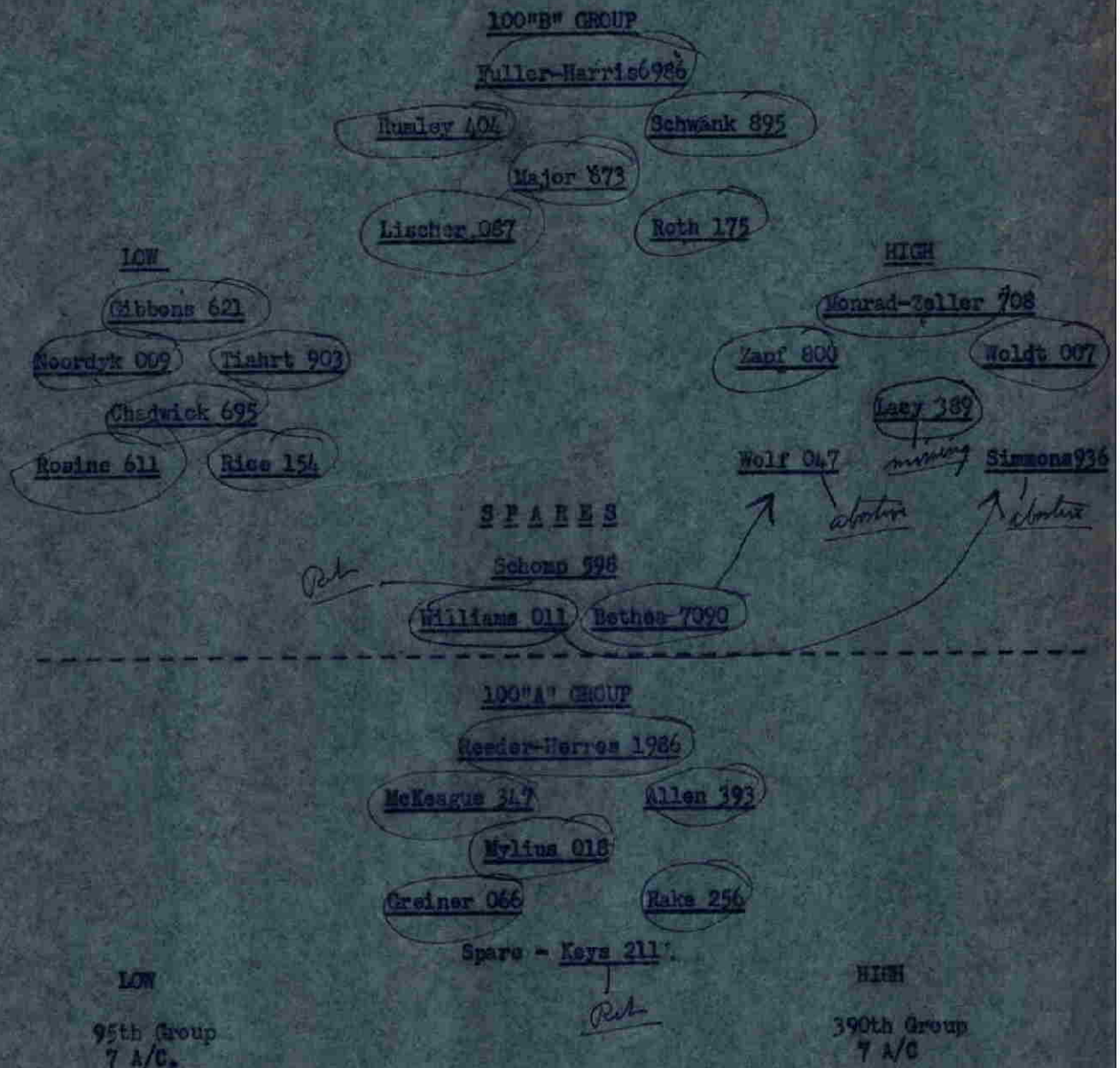
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LOW

HIGH

Gibbons 621Monrad-Zeller 708Noordyk 009 Tiaht 901Zopf 800Woldt 007Chadwick 695Lacy 389Rosine 611 Rice 154Wolf 047Simmons 936SPARESchoon 598Williams 011Bethes 7090100 "A" GROUPReader-Herron 1986McKeague 347Allen 393Nylius 018Greiner 066Rake 256Spars - Keys 211

LOW

HIGH

95th Group
7 A/C390th Group
7 A/C

5 boxes R - 349

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HIGH GROUP
FORMATION POSITION
LEAD SQDN

COMBAT MISSION OF

RUBBER

FULLER HARRIS 6986 B

3 R

RUMLEY 404 V

SCHWANK 895 Y

MAJOR 673 E

LISCHER 087 Z

ROTH 175 O

LOW SQDN

POOBAH

GIBBONS 621 A

NOORDYK 009 X

TIAHRT 903 T

CHADWICK 695 F

RUBBER

ROSINE 611 E

RICE 154 A

HIGH SQDN

MARKING

ZELLER

MONRAD 708 R

ZAPF 800 A

WOLBT 007 B

LACY 389 J

WOLF 047 O

SIMMONS 936 M

COMPOSITE GROUP

KIDMEAT

REEDER HERRES 1936 M

MC KEAGUE 347 K

ALLEN 393 G

MARKING

MYLIUS 013 L

GREINER 066 H

RAKE 256 S

KIDMEAT

SPARE KEYS 211 N

SPARES

MARKING

SCHOMP 598 F

RUBBER

WILLIAMS 011 T

RUBBER

BETHEA 7090 D

GROUND SPARES

233 N MARKING

071 P RUBBER

220 P POOBAH

230 B KIDMEAT

390

160 B hi

160 A low (Wing fr. 390)
Low fr. 95

13A

13 B

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(F) - B-17F

(G) - B-17G

R/E 0 Returned Early

TAXI _____ TAKE OFF _____ RUNWAY _____

ASSEMBLY ALTITUDE _____

GROUPS	FLARES	R/T CALLS	Approach first control point f
_____ Gp HIGH	_____	_____	_____
_____ Gp LEAD	_____	_____	_____
_____ Gp LOW	_____	_____	_____

CONTROL POINTS	TIME	ALTITUDE
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REFERENCE ALTITUDE _____

CLIMB: _____ PER MINUTE _____ MPH

ZERO HOUR _____

ROUTE BACK: DESCENT _____

ETA ENGLISH COAST _____ ETA BASE _____

Last departure time from base to make last control point _____

390 GR-Leads

100B - High

100A - Low - 6A/6 + 1A/6 spares

HIGH GROUP

FORMATION POSITION

LEAD SQDN

BROWN 290

RUBBER

FULLER HARRIS 8986 B

HUMLEY 404 V SCHWANK 895 Y

MAJOR 873 E

LISCHER 087 Z NOTH 175 O

COMBAT MISSION C

13-A
13-B
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LOW SQDN

POOBAN

GIBBONS 821 A

NOORDYK 009 X TIAHET 503 Z

CHADWICK 895 P

RUBBER

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MARKING HIGH SQDN

ZELLER

MONRAD 708 R 20

HAPP 800 A WOLDT 007 B

LACY 389 J

WOLF 047 O SIMMONS 938 M

COMPOSITE GROUP

KIDMEAT

REEDER HERRES 1986 M

MC KEAGUE 347 K ALLEN 393 G

MARKING

MYLIUS 018 L

GREINER 066 E RAKE 258 S

KIDMEAT

SPARE KEYS 211 N

SPARES

MARKING

SCHOMP 598 F

RUBBER

WILLIAMS 011 T 80

RUBBER

BETHRA 7090 D

GROUND SPARES

233 N MARKING LEAD

071 P RUBBER

P220 POOBAN

230 B KIDMEAT

(F) - B-17F

(G) - B-17G

R/E 0 Returned Early

TAXI _____ TAKE OFF _____ RUNWAY _____

ASSEMBLY ALTITUDE _____

GROUPS _____ FLARES _____ R/T CALLS _____ Approach first control point from _____

_____ Gp HIGH _____

_____ Gp MEDIUM _____

_____ Gp LOW _____

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7 A/C.390th Group
7 A/C

CREW NO.	ENGINEER	RADIO	BALL TURRET	RIGHT W.	LEFT W.	TAIL
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39	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H) AAF
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28 May 1944

CREWS ON OPERATIONAL MISSION OF THIS DATE

	<u>CREW NO. 28 P # 42-97154</u>	<u>CREW NO. 74 P # 42-97090</u>	<u>CREW NO. 73 P # 42-106986</u>
P	Lt. D. C. Rice	H. E. Bethea	Lt. C. E. Harris
CP	Lt. J. S. Farcht	L. E. Coleman	Lt. M. W. Hall
N	Lt. J. M. Henry	R. W. Barry	Lt. L. W. Coartney
B	Lt. W. Cherry	G. L. Reid	Lt. J. F. Dimel
R	T/Sgt L. M. Thompson	T/Sgt R. A. Vance	T/Sgt L. B. Gaard
E	T/Sgt P. H. Rowe	T/Sgt W. R. Hellen	T/Sgt N. Howden
BTG	S/Sgt R. E. Pryor	S/Sgt G. E. Symington	Sgt C. K. Platkin
RWG	S/Sgt H. W. Vaughn	S/Sgt C. C. Dobbins	S/Sgt J. H. Blume
LWG	S/Sgt W. E. Stein	S/Sgt E. A. Skapin	S/Sgt J. Rybak
TG	S/Sgt R. W. Pion	S/Sgt D. W. Harris	T/Sgt A. R. Tirrell
		C	Maj. M. C. Fuller
	<u>CREW NO. 30 P # 42-38175</u>	<u>CREW NO. 75 P # 42-31895</u>	<u>CREW NO. 78 P # 42-31404</u>
P	Lt. G. Roth	Lt. J. E. Schwank	Lt. M. C. Rumley
CP	Lt. W. F. LeBaron	Lt. T. J. Crowley	Lt. R. P. Lipps
N	Lt. D. Shoss	F/O R. E. Battista	Lt. M. Radulovich
NG	T/Sgt J. T. Pyles	Lt. T. A. McKenzie	Lt. W. F. Lowans
R	T/Sgt W. B. Yates	T/Sgt L. H. Weaver	T/Sgt R. E. Harris
E	T/Sgt B. L. Reynolds	T/Sgt V. A. Belles	T/Sgt F. G. Smith
BTG	S/Sgt P. E. Hunter	S/Sgt J. R. Curtin	S/Sgt R. P. Kaasa
RWG	S/Sgt C. R. Carlson	S/Sgt P. H. Walsh	S/Sgt N. T. Kocaant
LWG	S/Sgt G. J. Allen	S/Sgt W. E. Hill	S/Sgt P. V. Helmin
TG	S/Sgt H. E. Rulong	S/Sgt C. C. Segrest	S/Sgt L. J. Kaminski
	<u>CREW NO. 34 P # 42-6087</u>	<u>CREW NO. 76 P # 42-97673</u>	<u>CREW NO. 80 P # 42-107011</u>
P	Lt. R. F. Lischer	Lt. S. T. Major	Lt. B. Williams
CP	Lt. C. O. Cook	Lt. T. Bline	Lt. E. R. Nesmith
N	Lt. M. A. Stockton	Lt. S. B. Green	Lt. W. M. Pickett
B	Lt. H. B. Williams	Lt. W. A. Lichtenstern	Lt. V. O. Breazeale
R	T/Sgt J. Martinkovich	S/Sgt J. L. Olson	T/Sgt M. H. Evans
E	T/Sgt G. Williamson	T/Sgt J. E. Marion	T/Sgt G. L. Tricker
BTG	S/Sgt R. N. Mathiasen	S/Sgt J. H. Gage	S/Sgt L. C. Boyer
RWG	S/Sgt W. J. Smith	S/Sgt H. F. Carter	S/Sgt E. A. Yarooh
LWG	S/Sgt P. H. Sweitzer	S/Sgt M. K. Eckley	S/Sgt W. V. Goos
TG	S/Sgt A. M. Trigg	S/Sgt W. G. Moore	S/Sgt L. E. Nord

350th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (H), AA F
100th BOMBARDMENT GROUP (H)
APO F 559

28 May 1944

ROSTER OF COMBAT CREWS ON OPERATIONAL MISSION OF 28 MAY 1944

CREW # 10 PLANE 31903

P - Lt R Tihart
CP - Lt G W Clark 10
N - Lt E Marchess
B - Lt R E Braithwaite
R - T/Sgt R R Newell
E - S/Sgt O V Hardy
BT - S/Sgt R G Miller
RW - T/Sgt D L Borchardt
LN - S/Sgt E L Ingelston
TG - S/Sgt J M Daly

CREW # 17 PLANE 32039

X Lt E P Noordyk
Lt J R Creighton
Lt E Alta
Lt D M Bailey 10
T/Sgt E L Brown
S/Sgt J A Meade
S/Sgt G L Langdon
T/Sgt R W Myers
S/Sgt J P Himpel
S/Sgt F R Gardner

CREW # 51 PLANE 02695

X Lt R T Chadwick
Lt N T Fitoy
Lt J E Longenecker
Lt J A Carty
T/Sgt E E Postel 10
T/Sgt J J Good
S/Sgt G A Benedict
S/Sgt D J H Bruns
S/Sgt A H Roberts
S/Sgt P K Troetschel

CREW # 52 PLANE 37621

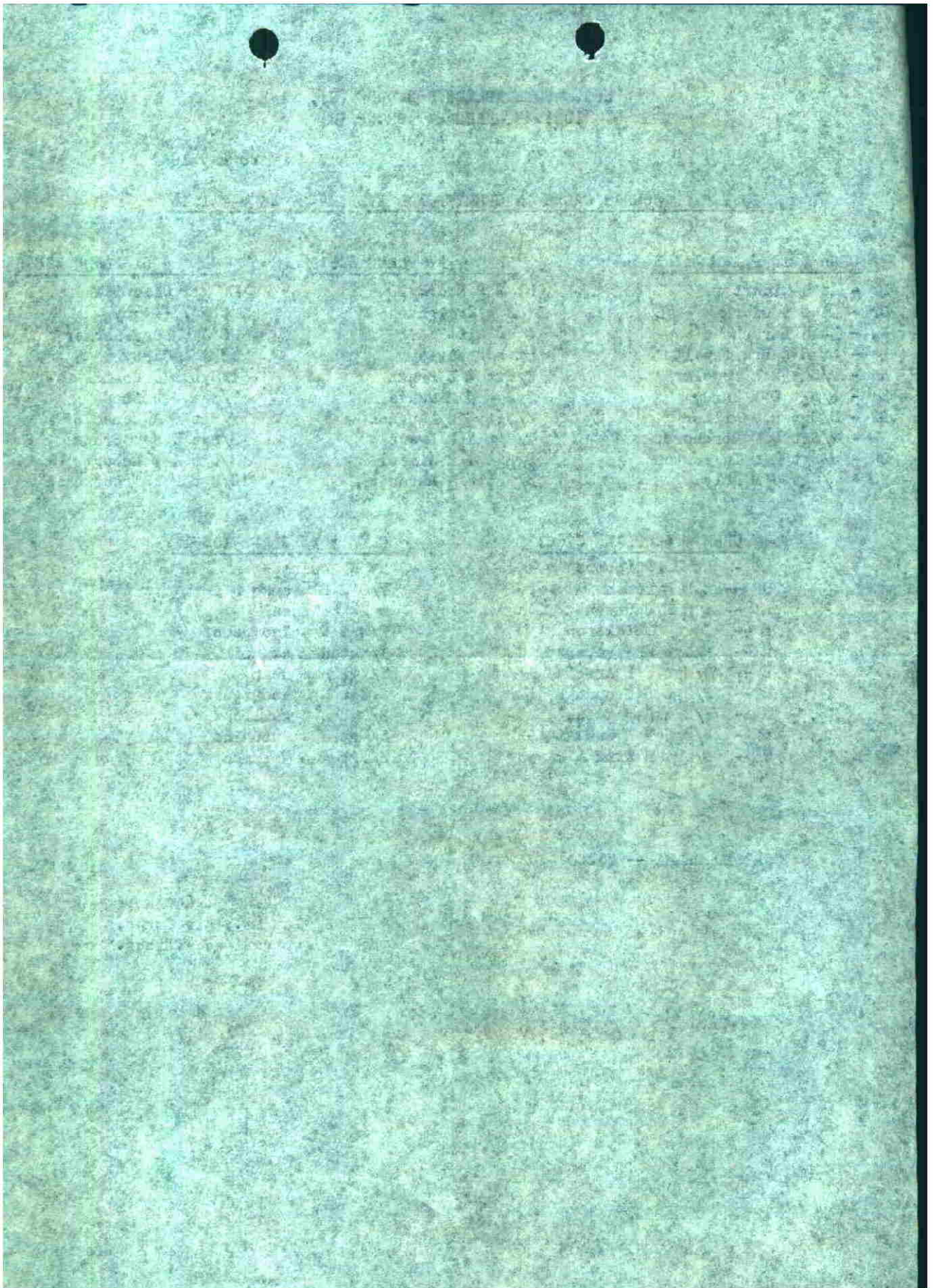
X P - Lt J P Gibbons
CP -- Lt P Dykeman 10
N -- Lt E M Johnson
E -- Lt S D Blakeman
R -- T/Sgt O V Roberts
E -- T/Sgt I L Arnold
BT -- S/Sgt B L Spragg
RW -- S/Sgt E J Ettus
LN -- S/Sgt F W Buchmaier
TG -- S/Sgt R K K A Bayer

CREW # 53 PLANE 102611

X Lt E Rosine
E/O R P Teaman 10
Lt E F Kanna
T/Sgt G H Thompson
T/Sgt R V Haines
T/Sgt N F Dear
S/Sgt R C Rodriguez
S/Sgt B G Mailloux
S/Sgt E C Butchins
S/Sgt C M Coleman

GROUND SPARE -- 31220

HERBERT S. HOWARD,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.



549TH BOMBARDMENT SQ. WADRON (H), ARMY AIR FORCES
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28 May 1944

FOLLOWING CREWS ARE ALERTED FOR TODAY'S MISSION:

Crew # 44 Ship # 986

P - 2nd Lt. Herres, F J
CA- Major Reeder, S H
N - 2nd Lt. Ringhofer, A F
B - 2nd Lt. Conover B E
R - T/Sgt. Mulgrew, R M
E - T/Sgt. Morrow, J A
BT- S/Sgt. Barnes, D B
RW- S/Sgt. Williams, W F
LN- S/Sgt. Nesser, N J
TG- 2nd Lt. Mitchell, P L

Crew # 39 Ship # 393

P - 2nd Lt. Allen, G S
CP- 2nd Lt. Symar, O H
N - 1st Lt. Johnston, J T
B - 2nd Lt. Stewart, W A
R - T/Sgt. Monroe, R A
E - T/Sgt. Oberman, W M
BT- S/Sgt. Bossey, R L
RW- Sgt. Matz, R A
LN- S/Sgt. Wargo, J P
TG- S/Sgt. Jackson, L E

Ground Spare Ship # 230

Crew # 38 Ship # 347

P - 2nd Lt. McKeague, E P
CP- 2nd Lt. Ritter, F A
N - F/O King, B L
B - 2nd Lt. Cardes, A
R - T/Sgt. Allen, W H
E - S/Sgt. Penman, G H
BT- S/Sgt. Kiefer, N L
RW- S/Sgt. Hudnall, A M
LN- Sgt. Gallagher, R A
TG- S/Sgt. Bettoviano, W F

Crew # 2 Ship # 211

P - 2nd Lt. Keys, J P
CP- F/O Samuelson, E W
N - 2nd Lt. Lollis, P H
B - 2nd Lt. Dickens, M
R - T/Sgt. Thomas, F O
E - T/Sgt. Park, H D
BT- S/Sgt. Martin, P
RW- S/Sgt. Costanza, J A
LN- S/Sgt. Berba, G A
TG- S/Sgt. Rieger, D V

By Order Of the Squadron Commander:

FLOYD H. MASON,
Capt., Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

351st Bombardment Squadron (H) AAF
Office of the Operations Officer
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OPERATIONAL ROSTER FOR MISSION OF MAY 28, 1944

Crew 20 Ship 708

CA-Capt. Young (Group)
P-Lt. R. V. E. Monrad
N-Lt. C. E. Bonitz
B-F/O D. L. White
R-T/Sgt. H. J. Hendricks
E-T/Sgt. D. A. Lynch
BT-S/Sgt. A. E. Smith
RW-S/Sgt. C. L. Grimes
LW-S/Sgt. W. V. Lombardi
TG-W. H. Frederick

Crew 62 Ship 007

B-Lt. C. W. Woldt
CP-Lt. R. H. Knowlton
N-Lt. J. R. Townsend
B-S/Sgt. D. A. Maddrea (Xtra)
R-T/Sgt. D. A. Sachs
E-T/Sgt. J. C. Arnold
BT-S/Sgt. D. J. Foulds
RW-S/Sgt. A. G. Langhoff
LW-S/Sgt. R. M. Norman
TG-S/Sgt. J. J. Selvanis

Crew 61 Ship 800

P-Lt. E. Zapf
CB-Lt. R. F. Vaughan W. D. Lawson
N-Lt. R. F. Vaughan
B-Lt. F. D. Chapin
R-T/Sgt. J. Rodemich
E-T/Sgt. C. R. Koger
BT-S/Sgt. F. A. LoBello
RW-S/Sgt. G. W. Anderson
LW-S/Sgt. C. J. Gorlinski
TG-S/Sgt. R. D. Kreitzer

Crew 64 Ship 389

P-Lt. L. G. Lacy
CP-Lt. C. E. Schindler
N-Lt. R. E. Rossman
B-Lt. H. Greenberg
R-T/Sgt. C. A. Wood
E-T/Sgt. S. A. Cary
BT-S/Sgt. C. L. Powsall
RW-S/Sgt. J. S. Folsom
LW-S/Sgt. R. J. Mitchell
TG-S/Sgt. E. Retz

Crew 65 Ship 936

Lt. S. J. Simmons P-
Lt. L. R. Romeo CP
Lt. W. E. Berman
Lt. R. E. McKitterick
T/Sgt. R. O. Howell (Xtra)
T/Sgt. W. O. Reetz
S/Sgt. W. J. Perno
S/Sgt. F. J. Buntin (Xtra)
S/Sgt. S. J. Donovan
S/Sgt. F. A. Baehl

Crew 63 Ship 047

Lt. E. W. Wolf
Lt. E. R. Kennedy
Lt. D. L. Thompson
Lt. H. E. Howell
T/Sgt. G. K. Rowe
T/Sgt. P. J. Sattler
S/Sgt. A. F. Karpis
S/Sgt. W. J. Howard
S/Sgt. E. Lazarchik
S/Sgt. R. A. Stachel

Crew 67 Ship 018

Lt. C. W. Mylius
Lt. N. C. McCoy
Lt. C. J. Galligan
Lt. H. T. High
T/Sgt. V. J. Wood
T/Sgt. J. R. Russell
S/Sgt. C. E. Brown
S/Sgt. C. E. McSpadden
S/Sgt. E. J. Sullivan
S/Sgt. E. D. Fern

Crew 21 Ship 256

Lt. G. W. Rake
Lt. A. J. Burkhardt
Lt. R. L. Mishler
Lt. F. L. Cate
T/Sgt. L. A. Miller
T/Sgt. E. C. Rogers
S/Sgt. L. Tekel
S/Sgt. R. J. Bourquin
S/Sgt. D. M. Pflaum
S/Sgt. E. E. Evans

Crew 18 Ship 066

Lt. W. L. Greiner
Lt. C. A. Bowers
Lt. S. T. Lewis
Lt. C. A. Myer
T/Sgt. W. E. Wakefield
T/Sgt. J. Poage
S/Sgt. E. Buchanan
S/Sgt. C. E. Wehner
S/Sgt. R. L. McDaniel
S/Sgt. E. A. Farkas

Crew 66 Ship 598

Lt. E. J. Schomp
Lt. E. C. Preher
Lt. R. W. Culwell
S/Sgt. R. W. Lennox (Xtra)
T/Sgt. J. P. Hunter
T/Sgt. E. J. Radke
S/Sgt. J. Rosolino
S/Sgt. E. E. Flood
S/Sgt. W. R. Hogan
S/Sgt. A. J. Malansy

JOSEPH L. ZELLER,
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

AUTHORIZED ADMISSION

CHECK NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS
PRESENT OTHER THAN CREW MEMBERS

ABBEE, Lt.	REEDER, Major
BENNETT, Lt. Col.	ROSENTHAL, Capt.
BOWMAN, Capt.	STOVER, Capt.
CALLAHAN, Sgt.	TURNER, Lt. Col.
CLOUTER, Capt.	WALLICH, Major
CROSBY, Capt.	WILLIAMS, M/Sgt.
DOUGLAS, Capt.	SPENCE, S/Sgt.
EMERSON, Major	SWARTOUT, Capt.
FITZGERALD, Major	VENTRIS, Capt.
FRYE, Capt.	YOUNGS, Capt.
FULLER, Major	ZELLER, Capt. Walstrom, T/Sgt.
GUMMERSALL, Capt.	*****
HARDY, Capt.	S-2 DUTY OFFICER <u>Capt. Johnson</u>
HARRISON, Capt.	<u>Capt. Bowman</u>
HOWARD, Lt.	<u>Lt. Shirley</u>
IANNACONE, Capt.	<u>S/Sgt. Nelson</u>
JEFFREY, Lt. Col.	<u>S/Sgt. Christensen</u>
KIDD, Lt. Col.	<u>S/Sgt. Gannon</u>
KINDER, Capt.	<u>S/Sgt. J. Smith Sgt. Charlton</u>
LASH, Capt.	DUTY NAVIGATOR _____
MASON, Capt.	DUTY BOMBARDIER _____
MCCARTHY, Capt.	_____
McGill, Capt.	_____
MILBURN, Lt.	_____
ORENSTEIN, Lt.	_____
PIKE, Lt.	_____
S-2 52/15-5-44	DATE OF BRIEFING <u>28 May 1944</u>

28-5-44

Automatic Cameras are installed on the ships listed
below.

1389
1256
8047
1986
7154
1903
1404
1895

STATION PHOTO

CHECK SHEET
Duty Officer

27-28 May
(Date)

(Check each of following as handled)

BRIEFING INFORMATION

SPECIAL
NOTES

- 1. From File Room (Except for Master File - File Clerk)
- 2. From Map Room
- 3. Course, assembly lines, pictures & Maps (War Room)
- 4. Pictures, & Maps (Main Briefing Room)
- 5. Course - Briefing Rooms (Duty Navigator)
- 6. Bulk maps & pictures to Map Room (File Clerk)
- 7. Epi diascope pictures prepared

FOOD (for S-2 staff during pre-briefing period)

FIRES (if necessary)

- 1. Gunners' Briefing Room (Tel. # 53)
- 2. Main Briefing Room

GUARDS

- 1. Authorized Admission List
- 2. Posting
- 3. Dismissal

JEEP (if not already available)

P/W KITS

- 1. Loading
- 2. Check out sheet & EM assignment

POST BRIEFING

- 1. Personal property & issue records to S-2
- 2. Briefing Rms. (Lights out, stoves closed, courses down)
- 3. Briefing material to appropriate folder in War Room
(Removed from both Briefing Rooms)

(Fill in time or name)

- 1. Pre-Briefing at 0500
- 2. Briefing at 0600
- 3. Time over target 1404
- 4. ETR 1745
- 5. No. crews on mission 24 + 4 spares

9. EM assigned as follows:

- a. Preparation of slides Christensen
- b. Gunners' epi diascope Gannon
- c. Main br. epi diascope Christensen
- d. P/W Kits Charlton

- 6. File & map clerks called at 0200
- 7. Other EM called at 0200

- e. Map Room Nelson
CO Sgt. Smith
- 10. Personal phone calls stopped ✓

Briefing Officers:	Notified	up	Briefing time
a. Main	1900	✓	0600
b. Gunners'	0300	✓	
c. Group S-2	1900	✓	

S/2 - 52/15-5-44

Sgts Christenson & Gannon
on duty from 1900 hrs. 27 May
Sgt. Smith on guard duty 0000-0100 hrs

Get photographer

BRIEFING

DATE 18 May '44BRIEFING O. J. D. Shirley

1. TARGETS: (IMPORTANCE, SIZE & IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS)

A. PRIMARY TARGET: (68 H) 110LMagdeburg - 52°11' - 1140E — Synthetic oil products.

4 1/2 mi. NNE of center of Magdeburg is oil plant.

Target - Mittelland Canal 2 mi. N - Juebig Canal just E. of target with 2 docks from it pointing to target. Elbe Riv. just E. of target.

Autobahn 3/4 mi. to NW.

(D) - water SE of target
Medium sized plant - output of 250,000 gals. (1/4 of previous output)
300,000 tons/yr. (nearly 2% of all oil available to her)

Target Area 1100 x 600 yds.

Elec. & steam from plant on canal 1/2 mi. to SE.

MPI - gas plant & generator

B. SECONDARY TARGET: (50 H - 46L)Dessau - 5150 - 1212E. Aero-engine factoryTesting lab & experimental station of Junkers - put out approx. 400 engines per month.
Lake 1/2 mi. to N. Elbe R. 3 1/2 N - Unter Luck 2 mi. N (horse shoe shape) mud flat to E.C. LAST RESORT: (12 H - 40L)Hanau - 5007 - 0856E. Type Factory

2nd most imp. type factory in Axis Europe.

25,000 types/mos. (truck & motor) plus 5,000 aero types. 19% of Axis rubber.
Target just E. of Main Riv. Half moon arrangement of Wdgs. to E. of target.

2. ROUTE:

A. FROM ENEMY COAST TO I.P.

Flak free except possibilities at coast - Zinder Zee

B. FROM I.P. TO TARGET:

Hvy. at target area - run is on northern outer limits of flak.

C. ROUTE HOME:

Nearly flak free - coast between Ostend & Dunkerque

3. OTHER DEFENSES:

A. SMOKE SCREENS

Possibilities very good for smoke screens in target area.

Camouflage paint on Target B.

B. DECOYS:

MAIN BRIEFINGDATE May 28BRIEFING O. Borman

1. TARGETS: (IMPORTANCE, SIZE & IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS)

A. PRIMARY TARGET: Synthetic oil plant at Magdeburg, which makes ^{250,000}~~300,000~~ ^{gals.} of oil & gas yearly. One of a so-called 'complex' of plants - Ruhland, Leitz which are being attacked today by the 2nd Division. The plant is 4 1/2 miles NNE of the center of the town - on the Zwick canal, which joins the Mittelland canal. Elbe river flows N. thru eastern edge of Magdeburg. Total target area is 1100 by 600 yards. Destruction of gas generating plant, the 100th's imp., will stop all production. ~~Will~~ be smoke screen. Twelve miles NNE of plant is a decoy installation - (Angern). Has tanks, hdds, dummy roads, & railway tracks.

B. SECONDARY TARGET:

Aero engine factory of Junkers co. at Dessau, 25 miles SW of the primary. Experimental & research hdds of Junkers co. New types are assembled & tested. About 400 engines monthly.

C. LAST RESORT:

Tire factory of German Dunlop co. - at Hanau, second most imp. rubber factory in Axis Europe. 25,000 auto + truck - 10,000 air tires p.m. Rubber storehouse in imp. No. of elbows of train, E. of Frankfurt.

2. ROUTE: (FLAK AREAS ON ROUTE IN & RETURN)

A. FROM ENEMY COAST TO I.P.:

Asked to pin point flak guns accurately (actually firing).

I.P. is small town of Obisfeld, 33 mi. from target. Twenty men in. pass near Neuhausenleben. Directly on course.

B. FROM I.P. TO TARGET:

Flak free from I.P. to target. 36 heavy guns in range at target if brief course is followed. Any deviation to south in target area will put in range of more heavy guns.

GUNS AT I.P.:

HEAVY

GUNS AT S.T.:

HEAVY

GUNS AT D.R.:

HEAVY

D. MOBILE FLAK UNITS on RR cars or BARGES (if any)

3. ENEMY FIGHTERS: WITHIN _____ MILES OF THE TARGET.

A. NUMBER: S/E _____ T/E _____ F/B _____ RTU _____

B. TACTICS: (anything new or unusual)

very old plant to the north about 10 miles
Angon.

5. EPIADIASCOPE

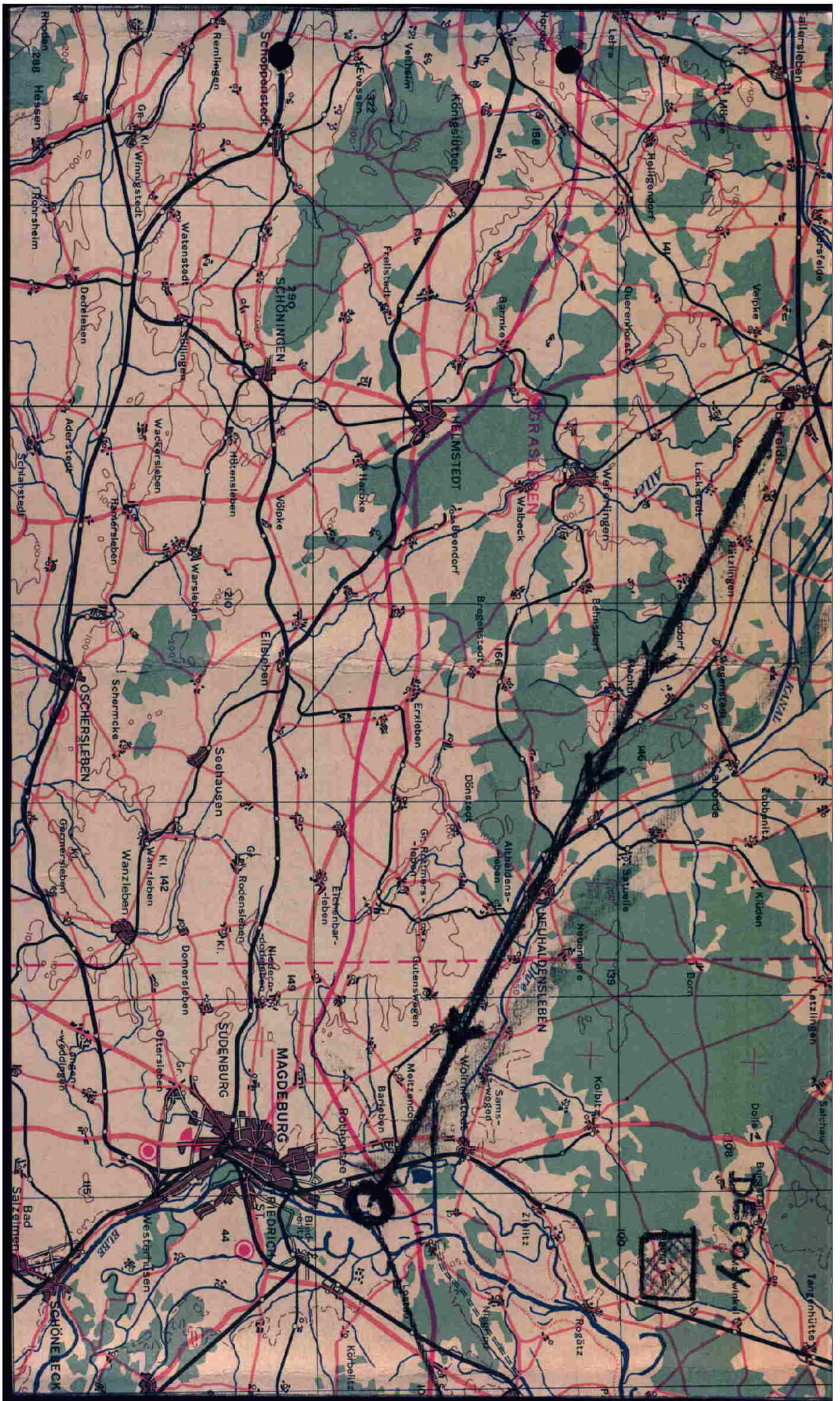
6. CLOSING REMARKS:

MAKE AS MANY OBSERVATIONS AS POSSIBLE...REPORTING SAME TO YOUR
NAVIGATOR.

IF CAPTURED....NAME, RANK & SERIAL NUMBER.

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FROM OITHE 27/23408
TO USLIST SB-SC
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28 May
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SECRET 3 B.D. M-300-E

3RD BOMB DIVISION FIELD ORDER NO. 244

1. B. FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES

(1) FIGHTER SUPPORT

TO FOLLOW.

(2) OTHER FRIENDLY FORCES

1ST DIV. FORCES WILL DEPART GREAT YARMOUTH AT ZERO HOUR
ATTACKING TARGETS GQ 1519 (2 WGS) AND GY-4670 (3 WGS)

ROUTES ARE: GQ-1519

GY-4670

GREAT YARMOUTH

SAME AS GQ-1519 TO:

5237-0437

5243-1042

5235-0820

5218-1152

5243-1042

5201-1157

5157-1251

TGT.

5141-1311

5149-1240

TGT.

5101-1250

5117-1353

SAME FROM 5040-1120

5040-1120

5007-0656

5107-0240

CLACTON

2ND DIV. FORCES WILL DEPART GREAT YARMOUTH AT ZERO HOUR
PLUS 25 ATTACKING TARGETS GQ-1519 (2 WGS), ROUTE SAME
AS 3RD DIV. B-24'S, AND GQ-1525 (2 WGS), ROUTE SAME TO
5128-1117, 5112-1133, TGT, 5054-1213, SAME FROM 5040-1120.

2. A. TARGETS.

(1) B-17'S

PRIMARY:

GQ-1516 MPI 054015/5 13A AND 13B WGS ALL GPS. 38 X 100

G.P. 1/10, 1/40

IF 100 LB G.P. UNAVAILABLE USE 10 X 500 G.P.

1/10, 1/40

GN-3762 MPI 089051/2 45 WG. LEAD AND HIGH GPS: 10 X 500

1/10, 1/100

MPI 075065/2

LOW GP.

10 X 500 G.P.

GN-3762 MPI 103028/2 4 WG. LEAD GP.

1/10, 1/100

MPI 103028/2

HIGH GP.

10 X 500 G.P.

MPI 075065/2

LOW GP.

1/10, 1/100

MAX. LOAD

M-47 I.B.'S

MAX. LOAD

M-47 I.B.'S

SECONDARY:

GY-47XXXXX GY-4670 MPI 140055/14 13A, 13B WGS.

GY-4670 MPI 090037/14 45 AND 4 WGS.

LAST RESORT:

GS-158 MPI BLDG 13 ON ILL /9 ALL WGS.

(2) B-24'S

PRIMARY:

GO 1512 MPI CENTER OF 4 BLMIS NUMBERED 21 ON ILL /A
93 AND 92 WGS. 44 X 100 G.P. 1/10, 1/40 OR,
IF UNAVAILABLE, 10 X 500 G.P. 1/10, 1/40.

SECONDARY:

GU 4030 MPI 083026/2 93 WG.

GU 4030 MPI 077017/2 92 WG.

LAST RESORT:

GA 2537 MPI AS DESIRED. ALL WGS.

B. FORCE REQUIRED

(1) 4 COM. WG: 4 X 21 A/C GPS.
13 COM WG: 4 X 21 A/C GPS.
45 COM WG: 4 X 21 A/C GPS.
92 COM WG: 5 X 12 A/C SQDMS.
93 COM WG: 3 X 12 A/C SQDMS.

(2) 1 CP FROM EACH THE 4 AND 45 WGS ARE ATTACHED TO THE
13 WG THIS MISSION.

C. DIVISION ASSEMBLY LINE

(1) B-17'S

BUNCHER 12 (16,000)

BUNCHER 9

GT YARMOUTH

ZERO MINUS 4

ZERO PLUS 1

ZERO PLUS 11

APPROACH TO BUNCHER 12:

13 WGS - SE

45 WG - W

4 WG - SW

(2) B-24'S

BUNCHER 12 (16,000)

BUNCHER 9

GT YARMOUTH

ZERO PLUS 21

ZERO PLUS 26

ZERO PLUS 35

APPROACH TO BUNCHER 12:

93 WG - S

92 WG - E

D. ROUTES

(1) ALL B-17 WGS

GREAT YARMOUTH (16000) (START CLIMB
TO 20,000)

ZERO PLUS 11

5237-0437 (20,000)

ZERO PLUS 44

5239-0820

ZERO PLUS 55

5238-0930 (REACH 24,000)

ZERO PLUS 98

5243-1042

ZERO PLUS 109

5242-1101

ZERO PLUS 112

5226-1100 (I.P.)

ZERO PLUS 117

→ TGTS GO-1516 AND GN 3762

5215-1155 (R.P.) (START DESCENT TO
20,000)

ZERO PLUS 128

5207-1223

ZERO PLUS 133

5197-1251

ZERO PLUS 136

5126-1306

ZERO PLUS 148

5101-1250

ZERO PLUS 158

5040-1120

ZERO PLUS 182

5007-0050

ZERO PLUS 249

5107-0240 (START DESCENT TO MIN. ALT.)

ZERO PLUS 310

CLACTON

ZERO PLUS 333

BASES

ALL TIMINGS FOR 13A WG, 13B WG, ADD 2 MIN. 45 WG.
ADD 4 MIN. 4 WG, ADD 6 MIN.

RATE OF CLIMB OVER CHANNEL: 200 FT/MIN

RATE OF CLIMB OVER ENEMY TERRITORY: 150 FT/MIN.

CLIMB FROM 20,000 WILL START AT SUCH TIME TO REACH

20,000 BY 5235-0930E.

(2) ALL B-24 WGS
 GREAT YARMOUTH (16,000) (START CLIMB TO 22,000) ZERO PLUS 35
 5237-0437 (22,000) ZERO PLUS 66
 5235-0820 ZERO PLUS 104
 5243-1042 ZERO PLUS 127
 5226-1100 ZERO PLUS 132
 5150-1047 ZERO PLUS 143
 5122-1105 (I.P.) ZERO PLUS 151

TGT GQ-1512
~~5056-1200 (I.P.) (20,000) ZERO PLUS 198~~
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TGT GQ-1512
 NE ZERO PLUS 158

5056-1200 (I.P.) (20,000) ZERO PLUS 165
 5040-1120 ZERO PLUS 176
 5007-0656 ZERO PLUS 238
 5107-0240 (START DESCENT TO MIN. ALT.) ZERO PLUS 295
 CLACTON ZERO PLUS 317
 BASES

TIMING FOR 93 WG. 92 WG. ADD 3 MIN.

E. BOMBING ALTITUDES

B-17'S: 24,000
 B-24'S: 22,000

3. A. WING ORDER AND STRENGTH

(1) 13A WG: 3 X 18 A/C GPS. PLUS 3 AIRBORNE SPARES
 13B WG: 3 X 18 A/C GPS. PLUS 3 AIRBORNE SPARES
 45 WG: 3 X 18 A/C GPS. PLUS 3 AIRBORNE SPARES
 4 WG: 3 X 18 A/C GPS. PLUS 3 AIRBORNE SPARES
 INTERVAL BETWEEN WGS - 2 MINS

(2) 93 WG: 3 X 12 A/C SQDMS.
 92 WG: 3 X 12 A/C SQDMS.
 INTERVAL BETWEEN WGS - 3 MINS

X. (1) ZERO HOUR: 11:00 DST 26 MAY 1944

(2) BOMB LOAD:
 (REFER TO PAR. 2. A. TARGETS)

(3) DISPOSITION OF PFF:
 390 GP: 2 PFF FROM 96 GP.
 93 GP: 2 PFF FROM 96 GP.
 96 GP: 2 PFF FROM 96 GP.
 385 GP: 2 PFF FROM 96 GP.

(4) REFERENCE BASE ALTITUDE: 21,000

(5) INTERVALOMETER SETTING: MINIMUM

(6) CODE WORD AT I.P. "RED FLARE"

(7) B-17 GPS WILL BEGIN TO TAKE INTERVAL AT 5242-1101E.

(8) IF SECONDARY TARGET GY-4670 IS ATTACKED, MPI'S AS
 ASSIGNED WILL BE USED REGARDLESS OF SMOKE FROM
 K 1ST DIV. BOMBS.

(9) B-24'S WILL BOMB SECONDARY FROM WG FORMATION.

~~XXXXXX~~ (10) B-17'S WILL BOMB SECONDARY FROM GP FORMATION.
 TURN RIGHT OF PRIMARY AND PROCEED TO SECONDARY.

(11) THE ASSIGNED MPI ON TARGET GQ 1518 WILL BE BOMBED
 REGARDLESS OF SMOKE.

(12) UNUSED SPARES RETURN FROM MISCHANNEL.

4. NORMAL COM WGS WILL FORWARD COPIES OF FIELD ORDERS TO THIS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. SPLASHER BEACONS: 4A, 5B, 6C, 7D, 8E, 9F, 11G, 13H, 16I

B. MF D/F SECTION "N"

C. GEE: EASTERN WYOMING, SOUTHERN UTAH,
NORTH-EASTERN CAROLINA

D. AUTHENTICATORS: W/T: LETTER "Z" VHF:- "SERENADE"

E. VHF RECALL CODE PHRASE:

92-93 WGS: "ESKIMO ICEMAN"

4-13-45 WGS: "CHINESE LAUNDRY"

F. VHF BOMBER FIGHTER CHANNEL:

8TH FIGHTERS: AMERICAN FIGHTER COMMON

9TH FIGHTERS: 9TH FIGHTER COMMON

G. VHF BOMBER FIGHTER CALLSIGNS:

13A WG: VINEGROVE TWO ONE

13B WG: VINEGROVE TWO TWO

45 WG: VINEGROVE TWO THREE

4 WG: VINEGROVE TWO FOUR

93 WG: VINEGROVE FOUR ONE

92 WG: VINEGROVE FOUR TWO

USAAF FIGHTERS: (92-93 WGS): BALANCE FOUR

USAAF FIGHTERS: (4-13-45 WGS): BALANCE TWO

USAAF GROUND SECTOR: COLGATE

H. VHF RELAY A/C OF 13 WG TO FLY IN AREA ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
5150N-0110E AT 17,000
TO 20,000 FEET UNTIL DIVISION RETURNS TO ENGLISH COAST.
R/T CALLSIGN, "CROUCHY" ON CHANNEL "D"

I. RCM

(1) CARPET: NORMAL

(2) WINDOW:

ALL A/C 93 WG AND LEADING GP 92 WG--192 UNIT IP FOR EIGHT
MINUTES.ALL A/C 13A WG AND LEADING GPs OF 13B, 45 AND 4 WGS--
272 UNITS STARTING TWO MINUTES BEFORE IP FOR TWELVE MINUTES.

J. PATHFINDER CALLSIGNS

385 GP: 633 KMKH

385 GP: 634 KMKH

390 GP: 589 WKKR

390 GP: 585 WKKR

95 GP: 586 WKKD

95 GP: 581 WKKD

96 GP: 588 WKKK

96 GP: 680 WKKK

447 GP: 646 KMKD

-- LE MAY --

UNDER 2. A. (1) END LINE OPPOSITE GR-3762 INSERT G P
UNDER 2. D. (2) 2ND ITEM ABOVE BASES 5107-0240

UNDER 3. K. (9) CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS

B-24'S WILL BOMB SECONDARY FROM GP FORMATION.

TOP 250100B SM AR
AS FOR 2 FOR 2 MSGS

TAS R22/0100B

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FROM OITHE 28/0145B
TO USLIST SB-3C
OIPNT
OIBMP
OIKHI.

SECRET 3 B.D. M-302-E.

ANNEX NO. 1 TO 3 B.D. FIELD ORDER 244.

1. B. (1) FIGHTER SUPPORT.

(A) B-17'S

RENDEZVOUS	GP	TYPE	AF	CALLSIGN	TIMING
GREAT YARMOUTH	1				ZERO PLUS 11
5237-0437	2				ZERO PLUS 44
5237-0500		P-47	8	BALANCE 2-1	ZERO PLUS 49
5235-0820 (GN-3762)	3	P-51	8	BALANCE 2-2	ZERO PLUS 85
5235-0820 (GQ-1516)	3	P-51	8	BALANCE 2-3	ZERO PLUS 89
5243-1042		P-51	9	BALANCE 2-4	ZERO PLUS 109
5040-1120	4	P-38	9	BALANCE 2-5	ZERO PLUS 182
5024-0900		P-47	9	BALANCE 2-6	ZERO PLUS 219
5007-0656	5	P-47	9	BALANCE 2-7	ZERO PLUS 247

(B) B-24'S

GREAT YARMOUTH	1				ZERO PLUS 35
5237-0437	2				ZERO PLUS 66
5237-0500		P-47	8	BALANCE 4-1	ZERO PLUS 70
5235-0820	3	P-51	8	BALANCE 4-2	ZERO PLUS 104
5120-1117		P-38	8	BALANCE 4-3	ZERO PLUS 153
5040-1120	4				ZERO PLUS 176
5024-0900		P-51	RAF		ZERO PLUS 210
5007-0656	5				ZERO PLUS 238

(C) 1 GP. P-47'S WILL SWEEP THE DUMMER LAKE AREA FROM THE TIME BOMBERS ARRIVE AT 5237-0500E.

(D) 1 GP P-38'S (8 AF) (BALANCE 4-4) WILL ARRIVE AT LIEGE AFTER LAST BOMBER TIME ON ROUTE BACK TO SUPPORT STRAGGLERS ON TYPE 16 CONTROL.

(E) 1 GP. P-47'S WILL SWEEP THE SAN QUENTIN AREA, SUPPORTING SUPPORTING BOMBERS ON WITHDRAWAL ON TYPE 16 CONTROL.

(F) GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE PTS:

F - ZWOLLE
O - DUMMER LAKE
R - STENDAL
G - WITTENBURG
I - DRESDEN
V - GOTHA
E - FRANKFORT
N - LIEGE

---LEMAY---

TOD:
CC (E) 2ND LINE TYPE 16 CONTROL.

TOD: 28/0205B MEP AR

Q FOR K WITH R

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TAS B..... 28/0205B SVALDI AR
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FROM OITHE 28/0325B
TO USLIST SB-3C
OIPNT
OIBMP
OIKHL.

SECRET 3 B.D. M-303-E.

ANNEX NO. 2 TO 3 B.D. FIELD ORDER 244

CORRECTED TIMINGS.

2. C. DIVISION ASSEMBLY LINE.

(1) B-17'S

BUNCHER 12 (16,000)	ZERO MINUS	4
BUNCHER 9	ZERO PLUS	1
GT. YARMOUTH	ZERO PLUS	11

(2) B-24'S

BUNCHER 12 (16,000)	ZERO PLUS	28
BUNCHER 9	ZERO PLUS	33
GT. YARMOUTH	ZERO PLUS	42

D. ROUTES

(1) B-17 WGS

GT. YARMOUTH (16,000 START CLIMB, CP 1)	ZERO PLUS	11
5237-0437 (20,000, CP 2)	ZERO PLUS	44
5237-0500 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS	48
5235-0820 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS	54
5238-0930 (REACH 24,000)	ZERO PLUS	96
5243-1042 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS 108	
5242-1101	ZERO PLUS	111
5226-1100 (I.P.)	ZERO PLUS	116
TGTS GQ-1516, GN-3762	ZERO PLUS	124
5215-1155 (RP, START DESCENT TO 20,000)	ZERO PLUS	127
5207-1223	ZERO PLUS	132
5157-1251	ZERO PLUS	137
5126-1306	ZERO PLUS	147
5101-1250	ZERO PLUS	156
5040-1120 (F.R., CP 4)	ZERO PLUS	178
5024-0900 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS	211
5007-0656 (FR, CP 5)	ZERO PLUS	241
5107-0240 (START DESCENT TO MIN ALT.)	ZERO PLUS	302
CLACTON	ZERO PLUS	325
BASES		

(2) B-24 WGS

GT. YARMOUTH (16,000, START CLIMB, CP 1)	ZERO PLUS	42
5237-0437 (22,000, CP 2)	ZERO PLUS	72
5237-0500 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS	76
5235-0820 (F.R. CP 3)	ZERO PLUS	109
5243-1042	ZERO PLUS	133
5226-1100	ZERO PLUS	138
5150-1047	ZERO PLUS	149
5122-1103 (I.P.)	ZERO PLUS	153
5120-1117 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS	160
TGT GQ-1512 (START DESCENT TO 20,000)	ZERO PLUS	166
5056-1200 (R.P.)	ZERO PLUS	173
5040-1120 (CP 4)	ZERO PLUS	183
5024-0900 (F.R.)	ZERO PLUS	214
5007-0656 (CP 5)	ZERO PLUS	241
5107-0240 (START DESCENT TO MIN ALT)	ZERO PLUS	298
CLACTON	ZERO PLUS	320
BASES		

5. COMMUNICATIONS.

F. VHF BOMBER-FIGHTER CHANNEL

ADD RAF FIGHTERS WITH 92-93 WG: RAF 11 GROUP

G. VHF BOMBER-FIGHTER CALLSIGN FOR 92-93 WGS

RAF FIGHTERS CAN BE CONTACTED ONLY THROUGH RAF
GROUND SECTOR: "SPICECAKE"

J. DELETE THAT MUCH OF PATHFINDER CALLSIGNS:

447 CP: 646 KMK3.

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ANNEX NO. 3 TO 3 B.D. FIELD ORDER NO. 244.

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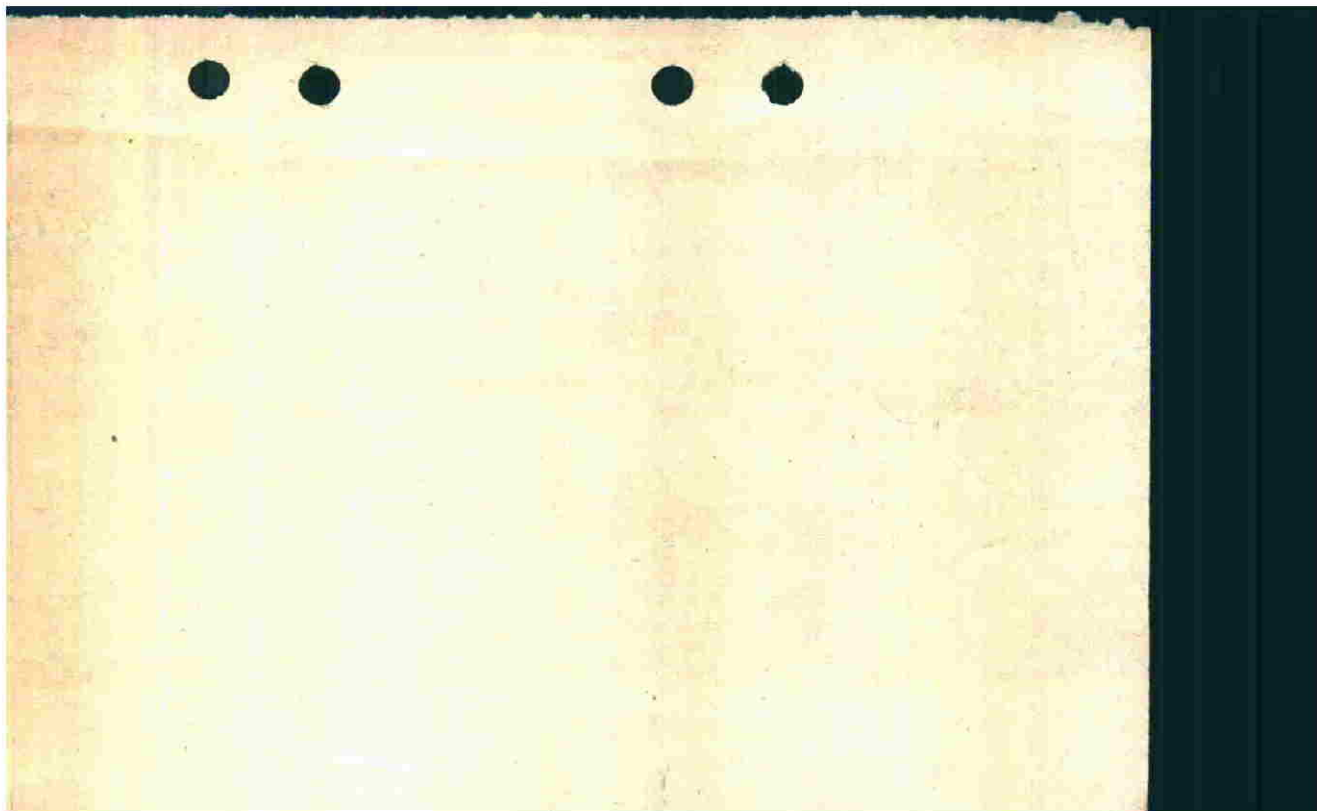
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✓ GQ 1514 13 A, 13B WGS

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GQ 3762 43, 4 WGS

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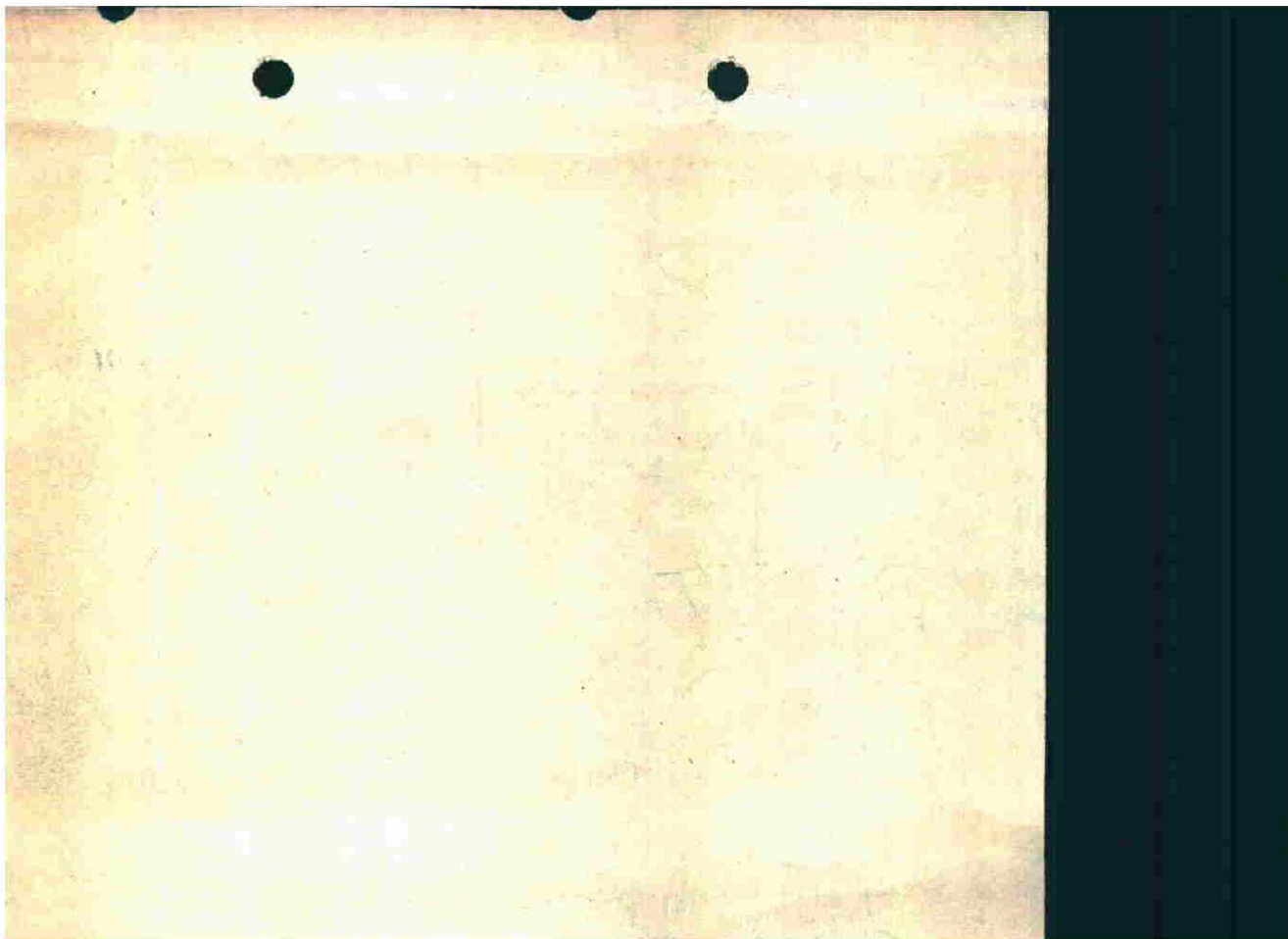
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13 B MPI 140055/14
45 MPI 090037/14
4 MPI 090037/14

THIS TARGET IS THE LARGEST REMAINING GERMAN A/C PLANT OF ITS
KIND. IT IS THE PRIMARY TARGET FOR THE 1 B.D. ABO.

LAST RESORT FOR (13A, B, 4, 45 WGS) GS 158 MPI BLDG. 13/5

SECONDARY FOR (92 AND 93 WGS)

GU 4030 (92 WGS) MPI 077017/2
93 WGS MPI 083026/2

LAST RESORT FOR: 92 AND 93 WGS

GA 2537

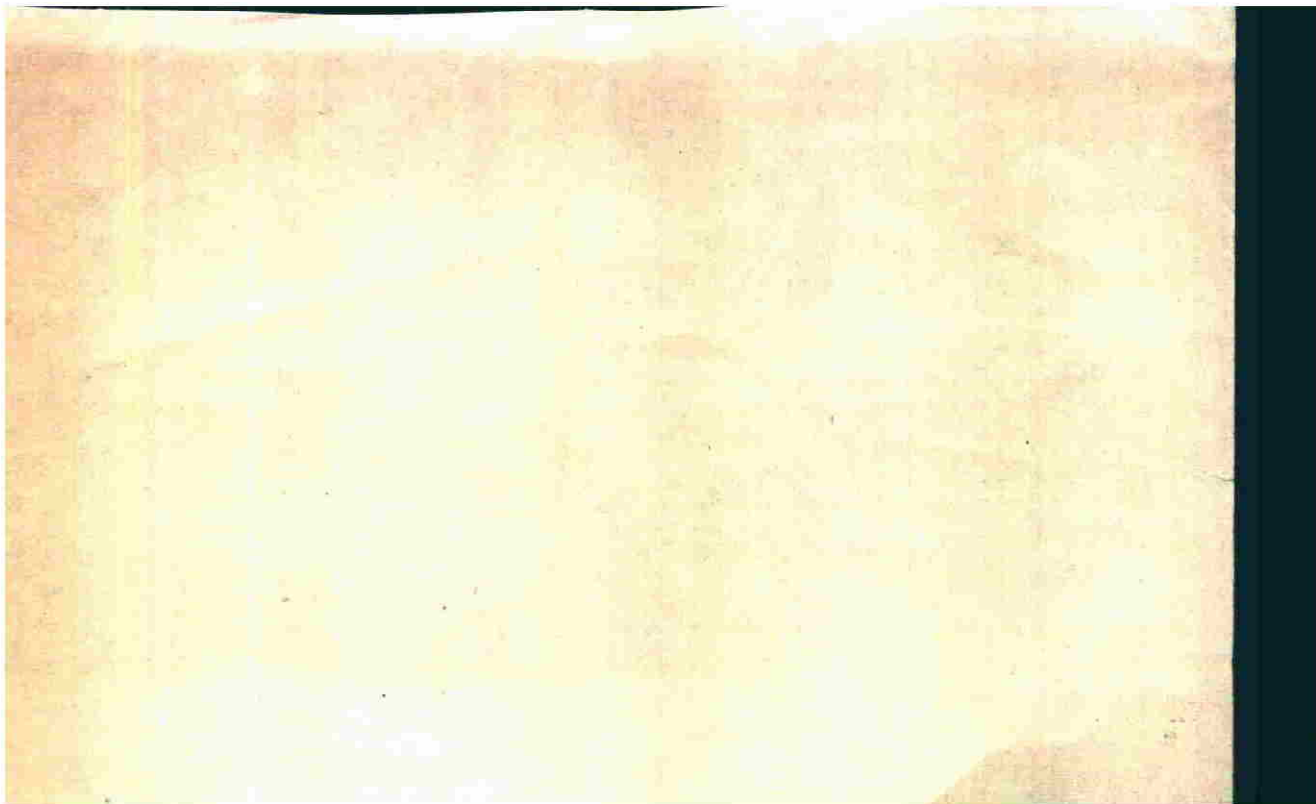
MPI AS DESIRED.

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CC INSERT UNDER GQ 1512 : THIS TARGET HAS BEEN ATTACKED. SEE
INTERPETRATION REPORT.

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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX TO 3 B.D. F.O. 244

FLAK:

92 C.V. AND 93 C.V.

POINT OF CROSSING COAST GOING IN SHOULD BE MADE GOOD IN ORDER TO AVOID STRONG AND ACCURATE DEFENSES OF IJMUIDEN JUST SOUTH OF COURSE. SOME MEAGRE AND GENERALLY INACCURATE FLAK WILL POSSIBLY BE ENCOUNTERED ON COURSE TO 1100 E FROM SUCH PLACES AS NEPPPEL, ZWOLLE, NEPPPEL, LINGEN, NIENBURG, CELLE, AND WESENDORF A/D. VECHTA AND HESEPE A/D SHOULD DEFINITELY BE AVOIDED. THE DEFENSES OF FALLERSLEBEN SHOULD BE AVOIDED. COURSE OVER HALDERSTADT SHOULD BE FOLLOWED CLOSELY IN ORDER TO AVOID THE STRONG DEFENSES OF OSCHERSLEVEN TO LEFT OF COURSE AND A POSSIBLE RAILWAY BATTERY TO RIGHT OF COURSE. ABOUT 20 GUNS WILL BE WITHIN RANGE OF A/C OVER TARGET. A QUICK RIGHT TURN SHOULD BE MADE AFTER BOMBING TO AVOID THE VERY STRONG DEFENSES JUST NORTHEAST OF TARGET. JENA SHOULD BE AVOIDED, FRANKFURT AND KOBLENZ SHOULD BE AVOIDED ON COURSE BACK. COURSE BACK THROUGH BELGIUM IS CLEAR OF KNOWN FLAK AND SUCH PLACES NEAR COURSE AS LIEGE, COURTRAI, OSTEND AND DUNKIRK SHOULD BE AVOIDED.

4, 13, AND 45 C.V.

POINT OF CROSSING COAST GOING IN SHOULD BE MADE GOOD IN ORDER TO AVOID THE STRONG AND ACCURATE DEFENSES OF IJUIDEN JUST SOUTH OF COURSE. SOME MEAGRE AND GENERALLY INACCURATE FLAK MAY BE ENCOUNTERED ON COURSE TO 1100 E FROM SUCH PLACES AS NEPPPEL, ZWOLLE, NEPPPEL, LINGEN, NIENBURG, CELLE AND WESENDORF A/D. (FLAK OFFICERS CAN ASSIST BY GETTING AVAILABLE PERSONNEL TO EXAMINE THESE AREAS WHEN PASSING IN AN ATTEMPT TO ACCURATELY PINPOINT OR PHOTOGRAPH ANY GUN POSITIONS ACTUALLY FIRING). VECHTA, HESEPE A/D AND FALLERSLEBEN SHOULD DEFINITELY BE AVOIDED. GROUP ON GO 1516 WILL BE WITHIN RANGE OF 36 HEAVY GUNS IF BRIEFED COURSE THROUGH TARGET AREA IS FOLLOWED. IN EITHER CASE, AN DEVIATION TO SOUTH OF COURSE THROUGH TARGET AREA WILL BRING MORE HEAVY GUNS WITHIN RANGE. ON COURSE BACK SUCH STRONG DEFENSES AS LIEPZIG, CHEMNITZ, JENA, FRANKFURT, KOBLENZ, LIEGE, COURTRAI, OSTEND AND DUNKIRK SHOULD BE AVOIDED.

GN 3762

THIS IS THE LARGEST AND MOST IMPORTANT DEPOT OF ITS KIND. GENERAL EISENHOWER HAS DESIGNATED THIS TARGET AS THE ONE MOST NECESSARY TO DESTROY FOR AID TO OUR GROUND TROOPS.

GO 1516

ANNUAL PRODUCTION HERE IS NOW 250,000 GALLONS. HEAVY BLOWS BY OUR MEDITERRANEAN A/F HAS REDUCED THE HUMANIAN REFINERIES TO 25 PER CENT OF THEIR PRODUCTION CAPACITY. THUS, THE DESTRUCTION OF THESE TARGETS WOULD CONTRIBUTE GREATLY NOT ONLY TO OUR SUCCESS ON THE WESTERN FRONT BUT ALSO TO FURTHER SUCCESS BY RUSSIA, WHO IS VITALLY INTERESTED IN DESTROYING THEM. BOMBARDIERS SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY BRIEFED ON EXPECTED SMOKE SCREENS. SEE OBLIQUE PHOTO ISSUED TO ALL GROUPS.

GO 1512

SEE GO 1516 . ANNUAL PRODUCTION HERE IS 275,000 GALLONS. THE MOST RECENT INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN TARGET FILES.

SECONDARY FOR (13A, 13B, 45, 4 WGS)

GV 4670

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13 C.B.W.F.O. 244

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2. A. THIS WG. ATTACKS PURSUANT TO 3 B.D.F.O. 244.

B. TARGET A- CQ-1516
MPI 054015/5 ALL GROUPS

TARGET B- CY-4670
MPI 140055/14 ALL GROUPS

TARGET C- GS-158 BLDG 13 ON ILL/5

C. 13A WG:

FILIXSTONE ZERO MINUS 18

390 GR. FROM E AT 16000 FT.

100A GR. FROM NE AT 15000 FT.

100B GR. FROM NE AT 17000 FT.

BUNCHER 22 ZERO MINUS 8
BUNCHER 12 ZERO MINUS 4

D. 13B WG:

CLACTON ZERO MINUS 14

95 GR. FROM E AT 16000 FT.

94 GR. FROM SE AT 15000 FT.

388A GR. FROM S AT 17000 FT.

BUNCHER 22 ZERO MINUS 6
BUNCHER 12 ZERO MINUS 2

3. A. 13A WG:

390 GR. LEADS 17 A/C PLUS 1 PFF A/C PLUS 3 SPARE A/C
PLUS 6 A/C AND 1 SPARE A/C TO HIGH SQDN 100A GR.

100B GR. HIGH 18 A/C PLUS 3 SPARE A/C

100A GR. LOW 6 A/C PLUS 1 SPARE A/C PLUS 6 A/C AND 1
SPARE A/C HIGH SQDN FROM 390 GR. PLUS 6 A/C AND 1
SPARE A/C LOW SQDN FROM 95 GR.

B. 13B WG:

95 GR. LEADS 17 A/C PLUS 1 PFF A/C PLUS 3 SPARE A/C
PLUS 6 A/C AND 1 SPARE A/C LOW SQDN 100A GR.

94 GR. LOW 18 A/C PLUS 3 SPARE A/C

388A GR. HIGH 18 A/C PLUS 3 SPARE A/C

X. 1. FUEL LOAD: MAX' M TOPPED OFF.

2. BOMB LOAD: 390, 95, 388A, 94A, 100A - MAX' M 100 GP 1/10 1/10
100B GR. 10 X 500 G.P. 1/10 X 1740

3. DEPUTY WG. LEADER IS HIGH GROUP LEADER.

4. WEATHER A/C AND VHF A/C 390 GR.

6 BOMBARDIERS WILL BE PREPARED TO USE GRID AND SIGHT ROLL BACK SYSTEM

7. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS WILL BE TAKEN TO CONGESTION ON THE BOMB RUN.

8. PFF A/C WILL FLY NUMBER 2 POSITION ON WG. LEADER AS A NAVIGATIONAL AID.

9. TRAIN INTERVAL- SALVO, SUFFICIENT TRAIL WILL BE ADDED TO PUT THE LEAD BOMBS 250 FT. OVER.

5.A.(1) FLARES:

390 - GG
100A- R
100B- RY
95 - RC
94A - Y
388A- C

(2) LEADERS:

COL. OTT
MAJ REEDER
MAJ FULLER
LT COL MCKNIGHT
CAPT HEALY
CAPT BURKETT

(3) R/T CALLSIGNS:

FIREBALL ABLE
FIREBALL ORANGE
FIREBALL WHITE
FIREBALL BAKER
HOTSHOT RED
BAMPIRE YELLOW

390 HIGH SQDN IN 100A GR. ----
95 LOW SQDN IN 100A GR. ----

BOASTER
LANDBERG

--COBATWIG 13--

AS FORCHECK

CC 2.C. WB ZERO FELIXSTOWE

CC K.2. WA 1/10 1/40

CC 5A(3) WB YELLOW VAMPIRE NOT BAMPIRE

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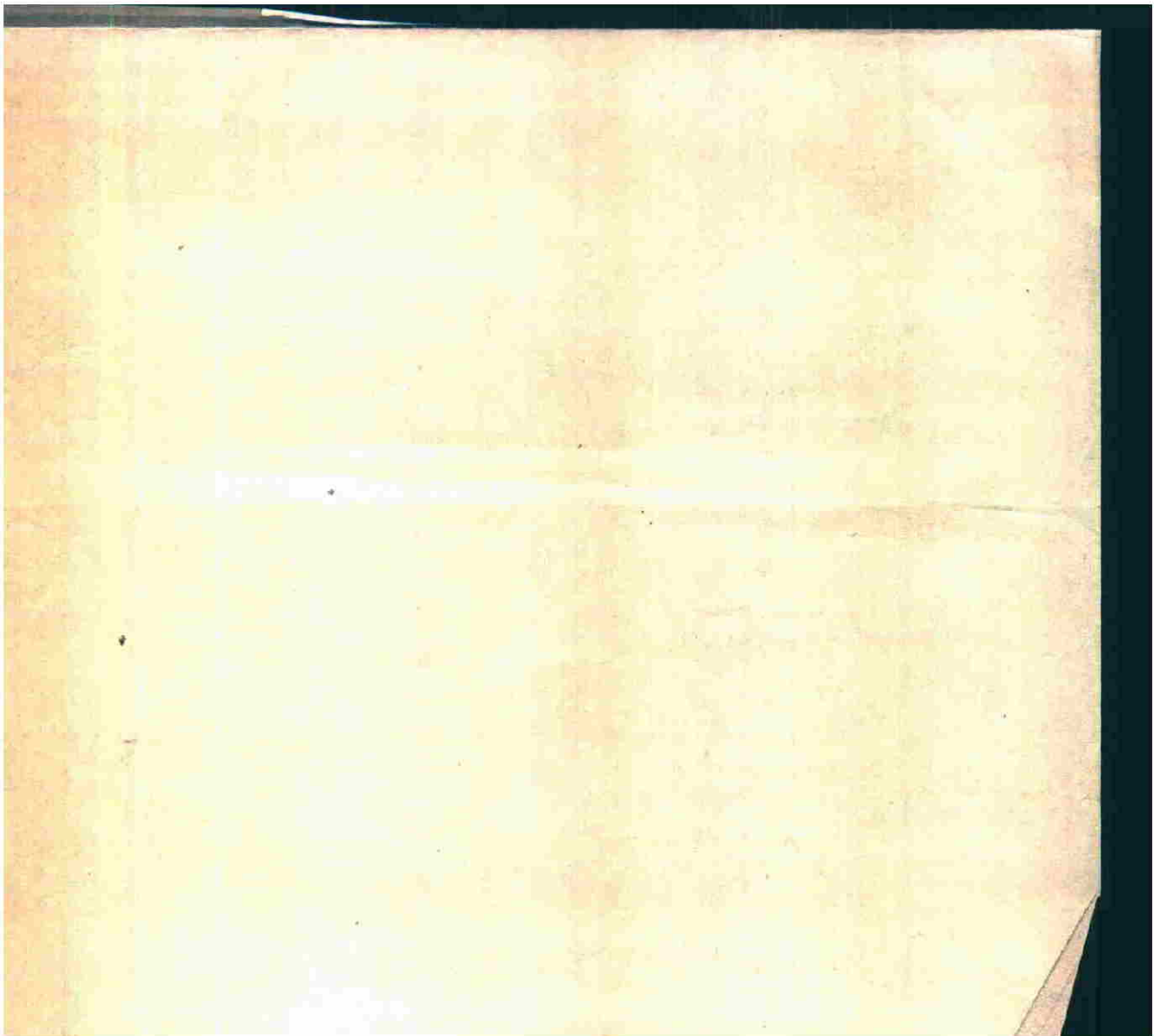
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